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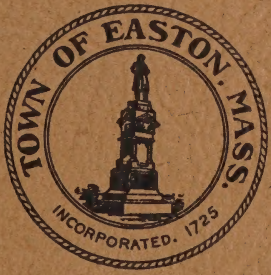
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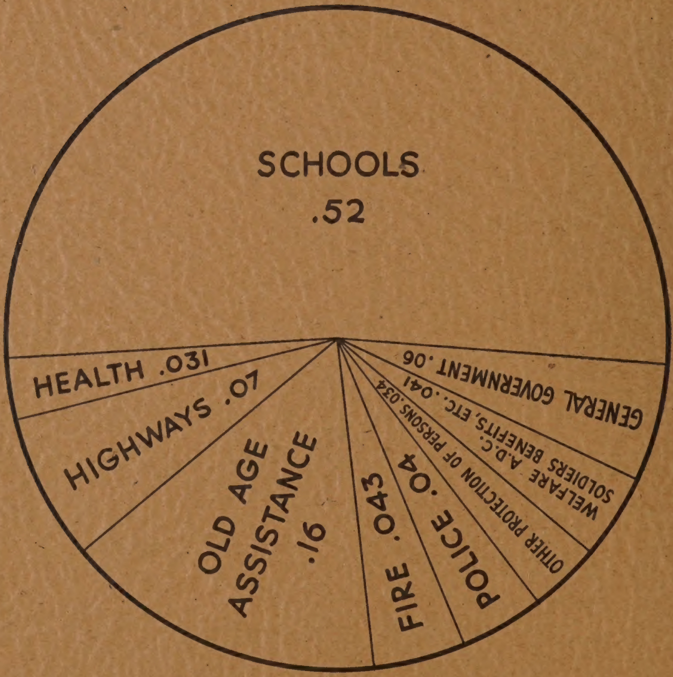

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1947

Moderator

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

LEWIS R. MASON
DENIS C. BROPHY
ALBERT E. WOOD

Assessors of Taxes

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN	Term expires 1948
KENNETH C. HAYWARD	Term expires 1949
MARY E. WADE	Term expires 1950

Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector

STANLEY F. RICE

Assistant Town Clerk

WINIFRED CUNNINGHAM

School Committee

ARTHUR F. ANDERSON	Term expires 1949
ALICE K. BRIGGS	Term expires 1950
CLYDE A. CRAIG, JR.	Term expires 1950
ROGER A. McNAMARA	Term expires 1948
EDGAR W. WATTS	Term expires 1948

Superintendent of Schools

GILBERT C. MANN

Board of Health

JACOB BRENNER	Term expires 1950
CLYDE A. CRAIG	Term expires 1948
CORA M. HENNIGAR	Term expires 1949

Tree Warden

ROSCOE W. MELENDY

Superintendent of Moth Work

ROSCOE W. MELENDY

Registrars of Voters

JOHN J. GALVIN	Term expires 1948
SIGFRID V. LEDIN	Term expires 1949
LUTHER E. SWIFT	Term expires 1950

Chief of Fire Department

ARTHUR W. BAILEY

Forest Warden

ARTHUR W. BAILEY

Chief of Police

HERBERT S. BERGLUND

Constables

HERBERT S. BERGLUND
GEORGE A. PIERSON

Dog Officer

FRANCIS F. REARDON

Superintendent of Streets

CARL W. ERICKSON

Sealer of Weights and Measures

JOHN A. GUSTAFSON

Inspector of Animals

J. CLINTON GOWARD

Inspectors of Slaughtering

GEORGE CARR
J. CLINTON GOWARD

Inspector of Milk

LEO J. FITZPATRICK

Town Accountant

JOHN I. LOWNDES

Town Attorney

RICHARD J. HATCHFIELD

Public Welfare and Old Age Assistance Bureau

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent

Finance Committee

JOHN S. AMES, JR.
MERVIN I. BOWDEN
WALFRID J. G. BROMAN
WILLIS G. BUCK
JOSEPH CONNOLLY
EDGAR A. CRAIG
HARRIS A. DeWITT
NORMAN O. DURFEE
HERMAN HALVARSON
JOHN B. HOWARD
DANIEL L. KENT
FRANK D. LEARY
NEUBERT B. MORSE
CLARKE L. WILCOX
MYRON F. WILLIAMS

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, 1947

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Easton in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium in said Easton on Monday, the third day of March, next, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant, Tree Warden and any committee of the Town and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one of their members to the position of investigator and to determine his compensation to be paid from grant of Federal Aid.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and Armistice Day to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary of the clerk of the Board of Assessors; and raise and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the Town. Said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in behalf of the Town, to acquire by gift or purchase, or take by right of eminent domain for highway purposes, such land as may be necessary for the construction of Massapoag Avenue, and to acquire such easements for drains and drainage in the vicinity as may be necessary therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salaries of the members of the Board of Health, and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to have a survey made of that portion of Poquanticut Avenue which is at present unsurfaced, to have a plan drawn of the same showing a street forty (40) feet in width, due regard being taken to lessen the curves thereon, and to allocate a sum of money therefor from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1645.00 for the purchase of the following radio equipment for the Fire Department: a complete frequency modulation radio receiving and transmitting set for use at the North Easton station; a complete frequency modulation radio receiving and transmitting set for use in Fire Chief's automobile; a complete frequency modulation radio receiving set for use at the South Easton station; said equipment to replace that now in use by the Fire Department, and to authorize the Chief of the Fire Department, under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen, to dispose of the present radio equipment, the proceeds to be utilized in reduction of the cost thereof, or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to accept the plan on file in the Town Clerk's Office of Picker Lane so called located off Canton Street as a Public Way, and to authorize the Selectmen to make necessary repairs, the cost of same to be taken from the regular Highway appropriation, or to take any other action relative thereto.

(By petition of James H. Healey and others)

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to prohibit the use of steel traps of any kind for trapping other than under water or under the ground.

(By petition of George J. Anderson and others)

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote "the acceptance of that end of Maple Street extending from Seaver Street east to property of Oliver Ames Estate—approximately 180 feet." (By petition of Helga E. Carlson and others)

ARTICLE 16. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections, residing in Precinct One, to meet at the Furnace Village School; those residing in Precinct Two, to meet at the High School Auditorium; and those residing in Precinct Three, to meet at the South Easton School House on Monday, the 10th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes all on one ballot for one member of the Board of Assessors, for a term of three years; one member of the Board of Health, for a term of three years; and two members of the School Committee for a term of three years; Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden, and a Finance Committee of fifteen, all for a term of one year. The Polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each meeting house and post office in said Town, and one at the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting, and said Town Clerk is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Warden or Deputy Warden at the time and place of holding said meeting for the election of officers, and said Warden is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, together with his return of officers elected at the close of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 10th day of February in the year nineteen hundred and forty-seven.

LEWIS R. MASON,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,

Selectmen of Easton.

Bristol, ss. Easton, Mass., February 24, 1947.

By virtue hereof, and as within directed, I have this day posted attested copies of this warrant.

HERBERT S. BERGLUND,
Constable of Easton.

A true copy of the warrant and return thereon.

Attest: STANLEY F. RICE, Town Clerk.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 3, 1947

The meeting was called to order at eight o'clock P. M., and the warrant read by the Moderator, Joseph W. Linehan.

Article 1. Voted to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant and Tree Warden.

The report of the committee appointed under a vote passed at the 1946 Annual Town Meeting under Article 20, to consider the erection of a town office building, was presented by the Chairman of the committee, Cornelius P. Dailey. It was voted that the report be accepted as progressive and that the committee be continued for another year.

Article 2. Mr. Edgar A. Craig, Chairman of the Finance Committee, reported the recommendations of the committee. The following appropriations were then voted for the year 1947:

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Assessors' Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $5800.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Aid to Dependent Children Administration.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for Care of Cemeteries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for Dog Officer.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Election Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $35.00 for Finance Committee Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $10,750.00 for the Fire Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Forest Warden's Salary.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6100.00 for the Health Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for Hire of Nurses, to be expended under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Inspection of Animals.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Interest on Notes.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $100.00 for Incidentals.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Legal Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $2500.00 for the Moth Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $43,900.00 for Old Age Assistance.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Old Age Assistance Administration.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $11,000.00 for the Police Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $5000.00 for Public Welfare.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $20,000.00 for the Road Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 for Registrars of Voters Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $225.00 for Registrars of Voters Salaries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1300.00 for Rent of Town Offices.

Voted that the sum of $3000.00 be appropriated for the Reserve Fund from the Overlay Reserve Account.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $145,933.83 for the School Department.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 for Selectmen's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for Soldiers' Relief.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1500.00 for Collector of Taxes Expens.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Town Accountant's Salary.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $225.00 for Town Accountant's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $600.00 for Town Clerk's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $6865.00 for Town Officers' Salaries.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for Town Physician.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $738.50 for Town Reports.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1000.00 for Town Treasurer's Expense.

Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $4600.00 for the Tree Department.

Article 3. Voted to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one member to the position of Investigator, and allow compensation of $200.00 from grant of federal funds for Old Age Assistance Administration.

Article 4. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $500.00 for Memeorial Day and Armistice Day, to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, and George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 5. Voted that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time on and after January 1, 1948, in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue a note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

Article 6. Voted to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue whatever funds are available at the time of the fixation of the tax rate, subject to the approval of the Tax Commissioner, to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

Article 7. Voted that the salary of the Clerk of the Board of Assessors be increased from $400.00 to $500.00 per year, and that this money be paid from th Assessors' Expense Account.

Article 8. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, such sum as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the town, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose.

Article 9. Voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in behalf of the town, to acquire by gift or purchase, or take by right of eminent domain for highway purposes, such land as may be necessary for the construction of Massapoag Avenue, and to acquire such easements for drains and drainage in the vicinity as may be necessary therefor. (This vote was unanimous.)

Article 10. Voted to increase the salaries of the members of the Board of Health by $100.00 each per year, and raise and appropriate the sum of $300.00 to provide for this purpose.

Article 11. Voted that the Selectmen be instructed to have a survey made of that portion of Poquanticut Avenue which is at present unsurfaced, to have a plan drawn of the same, showing a street forty feet in width, due regard being taken to lessen the curves thereon, the sum of $100.00 to be allocated from highway funds for this purpose.

Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of $1645.00 for the purchase of the following radio equipment for the Fire Department: a complete frequency modulation radio receiving and transmitting set for use at the North Easton station, a complete frequency modulation radio receiving and transmitting set for use in the Fire Chief's automobile, a complete frequency modulation radio receiving set for use at the South Easton station; said equipment to replace that now in use by the Fire Department, and to authorize the Chief of the Fire Department, under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen, to dispose of the present radio equipment, the proceeds to be utilized in reduction of the cost thereof.

Article 13. Voted to accept the plan on file in the Town Clerk's Office of Picker Lane so called, located off Canton Street as a public way, and to authorize the Selectmen to make necessary repairs, the cost of same to be taken from the regular highway appropriation.

Article 14. Voted to dismiss the article.

Article 15. Voted to accept that end of Maple Street extending from Seaver Street east to the property of Oliver Ames Estate—approximately 180 feet.

Article 16. Voted to adjourn.

A true record.

Attest: STANLEY F. RICE, Town Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION, 1947

In accordance with the warrant, the voters of the town met at their respective polling places on Monday, March 10, 1947.

The following persons were duly sworn and performed the duties of election officers:

Precinct One—Clifton C. Ripley, Warden; Gertrude C. Heath, Deputy Warden; Jennie M. Goss, Clerk; Edith F. Schleicher, Deputy Clerk; Emily L. Wry, Michael J. Canty, Hazel M. Harvey, John W. H. Stokinger, Tellers.

Precinct Two—Mildred Deady, Warden; Vera Johnson, Deputy Warden; Anna M. Fox, Clerk; Ann C Reynolds, Francis J. Callahan, George A. Carter, Frances A. Dineen, Bernice E. Watts, Cornelius J. Harvey, 3rd, Marion H. Milligan, A. Sladen Reynolds, Tellers.

Precinct Three — Steven Southworth, Warden; Catherine Meade, Deputy Warden; Myrtle L. Prior, Clerk; Gladys Alger, Bertha Cunningham, Victoria Hill, Nellie Bruce, Norman Constantine, Tellers.

The polls were opened at ten o'clock A. M., and closed at eight o'clock P. M.

The number of ballots cast in Precinct One was two hundred twenty-one; in Precinct Two, one thousand thirty-seven; in Precinct Three, three hundred seventy-eight; total vote, sixteen hundred thirty-six.

The result of the election was as follows:

SELECTMEN (Three)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Denis C. Brophy	173	555	311	1039
Lewis R. Mason	185	546	299	1030
Oscar H. Peterson	20	102	30	152
Frank J. Reynolds	54	501	73	628
Richard H. Southw'h, Jr.	49	158	109	316
Albert E. Wood	122	627	187	936
Blanks	60	622	125	807

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE (Three)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Denis C. Brophy	173	565	309	1047
Lewis R. Mason	185	551	304	1040
Oscar H. Peterson	20	100	29	149
Frank J. Reynolds	52	491	72	615
Richard H. Southw'h, Jr.	36	155	105	296
Albert E. Wood	123	626	186	935
Blanks	74	623	129	826

ASSESSOR

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Oscar H. Peterson	36	241	94	371
Mary E. Wade	169	694	258	1121
Blanks	16	102	26	144

TOWN CLERK

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Stanley F. Rice	203	888	347	1438
Blanks	18	149	31	198

TOWN TREASURER

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Stanley F. Rice	202	867	345	1414
Blanks	19	170	33	222

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Stanley F. Rice	201	865	343	1409
Blanks	20	172	35	227

BOARD OF HEALTH (One Member)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Jacob Brenner	199	831	320	1350
Blanks and Scattering	22	206	58	286

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (Two Members)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Alice K. Briggs	152	581	204	937
Clyde A. Craig, Jr.	90	710	186	986
Ralph E. Holmes	152	373	277	802
Blanks	48	410	89	547

TREE WARDEN

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Roscoe W. Melendy	194	791	328	1313
Scattering	0	2	0	2
Blanks	27	244	50	321

MODERATOR

Joseph W. Linehan	177	846	297	1320
Scattering	2	0	0	2
Blanks	42	191	81	314

FINANCE COMMITTEE (Fifteen)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
John S. Ames, Jr.	177	712	280	1169
Mervin I. Bowden	161	522	258	941
Walfrid J. G. Broman	147	631	235	1013
Willis G. Buck	165	592	254	1011
Joseph Connolly	142	637	222	1001
Edgar A. Craig	157	659	252	1068
Harris A. DeWitt	146	563	244	953
Norman O. Durfee	173	586	259	1018
Tom H. Gregg	107	437	176	720
Herman Halvarson	146	597	238	981
John B. Howard	166	591	276	1033
Daniel L. Kent	137	612	232	981
Frank D. Leary	139	614	237	990
Neubert B. Morse	168	621	274	1063
Clarke L. Wilcox	157	459	232	848

Myron F. Williams	125	549	212	886
Blanks and Scattering	902	6173	1789	8864

REFERENDUM (Equal Pay for Teachers)

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Total
Yes	56	234	79	369
No	105	456	178	739
Blanks	60	347	121	528

A true record.

Attest: STANLEY F. RICE, Town Clerk.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1947

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
	JANUARY	
2	Lyle Berry Butts	Lyle M. and Helen M. Tufts
2	John Barboza	Joseph and Charlotte Monteiro
3	Donna Lee Poole	Nelson K. and Blanche A. Molander
10	Frederick Allen Bell	Frederick A. and Lillian L. Bennett
11	Frank Henry Maliff	Richard T. and Virginia B. Nolan
12	Allan Wayne Hammond	Charles H. and Ruth E. Pittsley
14	James Michael Azevedo	James S. and Marilyn J. McDougall
14	Bruce Young	Lawrence C. and Margaret D. deBruyn
18	Caroline Paula Barretto	Severiano and Caroline M. Fernandes
20	Thomas Michael Coleman	Richard P. and Margaret C. Harlow
21	Rebecca Caroline Thompson	Peter S. and Rebecca C. Ames
22	David Roger Nichols	Roger H. and Sarah S. Martin
27	Dorothy Mae Cruickshank	Edward H. and Vera V. Nordberg
30	Raymond Louis Robicheau	Edward J. and Jean E. Martin
	FEBRUARY	
1	Robert John Borack	John F. and Catherine Nassour
7	Christine Anderson	Norman A. and Virginia Tuttle
11	James Shipalowski	Vincent J. and Irene B. Santos
12	Martin Daniel Swanson	Martin D. and Hazel L. Lincoln
18	William Edward Rivella	Aurelio N. and Viola V. Davis
21	William Henry Lawson	Harry A. and Rita M. Marren
22	Stephen Francis Nolan	Stephen F. and Mary E. Freitas
22	Sherry Wilshire Constantine	Thomas T. and Elizabeth Wilshire
23	Nancy Jane Currier	Donald R. and Helen F. Holmes
24	David Jansen Manchester	Ralph E. and Evelyn J. Jansen
27	Harold Earle Robbins	Eliot C. and Edna F. Utton
	MARCH	
2	Stephen Frederick Berglund	Herberts S. and Katherine V. MacPherson
4	Michael Alex Petros	Michael V. and Isabelle C. Roberge
12	James Constantine Jacoubs	Edward L. G. and Elisabeth B. Coufos
17	Richard Arthur Geer	George W. and E. Phyllis Williams
19	Glenn McAdam Maxwell	Douglas H. and Betty A. Wilson
20	Gary Wayne Hilmer	Lennart C. and Evelyn E. Swanson
24	Janeth Ann Nelson	Alton E. and Dorothy M. Campion

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
24	Dennis Eric Carlson	Joseph V. and Viola M. Weatherbee
28	Pamela Margaret Rollins	William C. and Virginia A. Ford
	APRIL	
6	Linda Jeanne Farwell	Charles H. and Barbara R. Briggs
14	Kathleen Coleman	John J. and Glenice E. Hewins
14	David Russell Harlow	Tisdale H. and Ruth B. Cruickshank
17	Bruce Laurence Pearson	Carl A. and Doris E. Lundin
19	Roy VanGemert	Cornelius and Catherine M. Becker
19	Paul Francis Healey	Daniel T. and Ruth I. Olson
20	John Charles Lindstrom	Henry E. and Florence R. Trongeau
20	Frank Howard Dahl	Frank H. and Flora S. Eddy
24	Roberta Joy Homer	James R. and Emma R. Humphrey
24	Michael Lee Farrell	Richard O. and Pauline A. Nelson
27	Charles Edward Ivaskiewicz	Michael L. and Nellie M. Chippen
	MAY	
1	Beverly Jean Hick	Arthur G. and Rena L. Gordon
2	Jeffrey Gardner Mandeville	Gardner K. and Constance V. Willis
9	Carlton Paul Champagne	Marcel C. and Jean A. Meunier
12	Carol Lee Holbrook	Francis E. and Shirley F. Marshall
12	Phyllis Ann Southworth	Richard H. and Doris W. Cressey
22	Richard Stephen Powers	Alfred M. and Mildred E. Swinimer
23	Wayne Michael Maxwell	George H. and Helen M. Lee
23	Wayne Philip Southworth	Philip H. and Alice E. Goodwin
28	Ronald Carlton Nystrom	Ralph C. and Minetta H. Holmes
31	John Charles Randall	Gerald R. and Anella Gawle
	JUNE	
2	John Douglas Benefield	Douglas and Lorena A. Peters
4	Susan DeWitt	George H. and Ruth W. Mitchell
6	Berniece Elaine Andrews	Hiram T. and Maybelle G. Vosmus
6	Jon Alden Howard	Arnold A. and Margaret Eastwood
8	Stephenie Ann Siblo	Robert A. and Margaret Smith
8	William Joseph Healey	William J. and Sophie Goodman
17	Thomas Hadley Richardson	Clarence O. and Helen E. Robinson
18	Robert Walter Hatchfield	Robert W. and Shirley M. Burgess
19	Arthur John Barrett	Arthur J. and Cecilia D. Costa
24	Eric Richard Heath	Donald G. and Dorothy L. Froeberg
24	Beatrice Gonsalves	Joseph F. and Maria T. Pontes
28	Peter Brian Abrahams	Edward J. and Enid F. Betcherman
28	Joyce Slavitz	John J. and Rose Mitrano

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
	JULY	
1	Daniel Lawler Grant	Robert R. and Ella R. Harbeson
2	Katherine Mary Manning	James R. and Ann Cecelia Kiernan
7	Thomas John McMenamy	Edward L. and Margaret M. Cruise
13	Joel Mandus Johnson	Joel M. and Florence M. Gustafson
17	Joseph Maurice Hayden	Joseph M. and Olive Patterson
18	Kenneth Roger Wass	Roger C. and Dorothy M. Bradbury
21	Donald Francis Craig, Jr.	Donald F. and Margaret A. Downey
22	Miriam Elaine Tateosian	Vahan and Ellen F. Lyons
22	John Charles Hurley	John F. and Katharine A. Mahoney
27	Gail Frances Ricker	Frederick E. and Una Parker
28	Roselene Edna Walker	Maynard A. and Evelyn M. Rudolph
30	Evelyn Dupont	John A. and Mary E. Santos
31	Charlene Ruth Varney	Donald W. and Shirley Reynolds
	AUGUST	
3	Martin Roger Johnson	Martin A. and Gertrude Adams
7	Michael James McMenamy	John P. and Constance A. Rogers
9	Mary Elizabeth Deitrick	Stapleton C. and Sara E. Asher
13	Mary Elizabeth Alves	Manuel V. and Margaret I. Correia
13	Richard Clifford Carlson	Oscar C. and Mildred E. Kenney
15	Jane Mary Howard	Roy L. and Alice F. DeCouto
20	Stillborn	
21	Constance Aldea St. Sauveur	Pierre G. and Beatrice L. Papillon
21	Richard Joseph Kent	Richard J. and Mary T. Cotter
22	Alden Brent Sarty	Stephen E. and Sadie H. Demont
24	Harold Eric Styren	Harold H. and Anna L. Erickson
29	Robert Charles Healey	James H. and Loretta M. McGinty
31	Leonard Francis Buck	Edward A. and Vena E. Pierson
	SEPTEMBER	
1	Russell Robert Peterson	Edward S. and Evelyn M. Jones
8	Steven David Clark	Leroy S. and Barbara L. Daurie
9	Judith Marie Hewitt	James J. and Marjorie F. O'Neill
10	Ferne Arlyse Murray	Stanley R. and Ferne G. Bannen
19	James William Hailey	John R. and Mary L. Doherty
24	Melinda Jean Wood	Robert J. and Phyllis A. Sampson
26	Stillborn	
30	Robert James O'Leary	Robert J. and Anna S. Zemeikis
	OCTOBER	
2	Jean Ethelyn VanWormer	William E. and Mildred E. Peterson
3	Nancy Lee Allen	Joseph and Louise Hicks

Date	Name of Child	Parents' Names (Maiden name of mother)
6	Joyce Diane Carroll	Ralph H. and Claire A. MacDonald
7	Susan Elizabeth Thomas	Harold C. and Ruth P. Donohue
14	Philip Arthur Conant	Roger A. and Janet E. MacDonald
17	Stephen Charles Watson	John T. and Lorraine M. Porter
18	Gary Raymond Banks	Raymond R. and Marguerite T. Holton
20	Thomas Edward Tufts	Kenneth N. and Arlene M. Williams
28	Martha Jean Shaffer	Clyde I. and Elizabeth E. Chisholm
	NOVEMBER	
3	Marcha Jean VanGemert	Lee and Marjorie L. Watts
4	Steven Edward Ellis	Lawrence B. and Marjorie E. Holmes
6	Susan Fuller Wolfes	George K. and Helen B. Fuller
7	Rody James Fitzgibbon	Rody J. and Edith R. Evarts
13	Marjorie Anne Willis	Robert E. and Iva N. McFarlan
17	———————— Ames	David and Elizabeth Motley
21	David Harold Ahlberg	George H. and Ruth C. Apland
21	Nancy Arlene Wood	Alfred R. and Macalia N. Rusilko
23	Patricia Ann McEntee	Charles P. and Lois Hannewald
30	Nancy Ann Nye	Sherwood C. and Ethel L. Anderson
	DECEMBER	
3	Alan David Randall	Avery W. and Marion E. Mason
7	Susan Jean Batchelor	Ernest S. and Roberta J. Ryder
9	Linda Lee Banks	Francis E. and Lillian R. Sylvia
10	Anne Povoas	Antonio A. J. and Mary C. Pires
10	Linda Carol Magivney	Elwin W. and Melva W. Cole
12	David Sherman Carlson	Carl G. and Elouise G. Sherman
13	Ronald Edward Sylvester	Joseph A. and Agnes D. Godsoe
14	Jane Frances Hamilton	Albert F. and Jane Rae Gallant
15	Barbara Ann Peterson	Robert H. and Doris E. Batchelder
16	Stephen Charles Buck	Charles I. and Marjorie C. Weeks
20	Margaret Frances Mone	Francis D. and Grace McMullen
28	William John Knapp	William J. and Doris M. Burnett
31	Lawrence Clinton Young	Lawrence C. and M. Dorothy DeBruyn

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1947

January 4—Elliot Henry Adams of North Attleborough and Arlene Fances Horton of Easton

January 9—Frank Weston Maguire and Mary-Ann Viola Syvertson, both of Easton.

January 19—Arthur Frederick Britton and Beverly Lenea Frye, both of Easton.

January 19—Warren Joseph Dexter of Taunton and Helen Gooch of Easton.

January 25—Harold Irving Hemmingson of Plainville and Marionne Ruth Flower of Easton.

February 1—Charles Fererira of Taunton and Mary Constance Varella of Easton.

February 1—Raymond Francis Barley of Sharon and Ethel Marie Vendt of Easton.

February 15—Danunzio Alessandri of Mansfield and Rose Ann Varella of Easton.

February 15—James Matthew McBride of Stoughton and Lucy Caroline Healey of Easton.

February 18—Walter Edward Holmes of Easton and Patricia Ann VanDyke of West Bridgewater.

February 23—Warren Francis Snowdale of Stoughton and Anna Louise Jones of Easton.

March 27—Frederick Charles Rego and Winifred Moravec, both of Easton.

April 6—George Warren Stone, Jr. of Easton and Emily Gloria Roque of Bridgewater.

April 6—Manuel Gonsalves Alho, Jr. of Easton and Custodia Figueiredo of Brockton .

April 13—Vernon Llewellyn Saunders of New York and Janice Cecilia Malone of Somerville.

April 19—Alfred Otto Hauschild of Southbridge and Blanche Mildred Johnson of Easton.

April 20—Charles Roger Lawrence, Jr. and Elda Jennie Carlozzi, both of Brockton.

April 26—Albert Francis Hamilton and Jane Rae Gallant, both of Easton.

April 29—Robert Hilmer Peterson of Easton and Doris Eleanor Batchelder of Brockton.

April 29—Frederick Albert Clough of Brockton and Irene Kathleen Barnard of Colchester, England.

May 4—Gustaf Lenanrt Gustafson of Easton and Virginia Ann Gray of Boston

May 5—Paul St. Hilaire of Brockton and Dorothy Mae Holmes of Easton.

May 9—John Francis Mara of Brockton and Elsie Cecilia Lundin of Easton.

May 10—Ralph William Ryan of Vergennes, Vermont and Mabel Dorcas Mason of Easton.

May 16—Wallace Norup Jensen of Woods Cross, Utah, and Phoebe Bernice Carlson of Easton.

May 30—Robert Joseph Tremblay of Brockton and Lillian Ethel Anderson of Easton.

May 30—John Mulloney of Providence, R. I. and Winifred Tay Andrews of Easton.

June 1—Roderick Vincent Woodbury of Boston and Ruth Elizabeth Boulette of Easton.

June 1—Clarence Emil Peterson of Easton and Florence Ruth Hayden of East Bridgewater.

June 12—William Michael Furlong, Jr. and Edith Victoria Peterson, both of Easton.

June 14—Ralph Richard Johnson and Eleanor May Curtis, both of Easton.

June 14—John Harrison Mitchell of Easton and Harriet Elizabeth Leighton of Melrose.

June 14—Joseph John Cotter of Easton and Grace Louise Schoder of Foxboro.

June 15—Allan Hugo Anderson of Brockton and Dorothy Evely Erikson of Easton.

June 5—Frank Ernest Leslie, Jr. of Middleboro and Doris Victoria Johnson of Easton.

June 16—Lloyd Trueman White of Easton and Josephine Charlotte Evelyn Rowe of Whitman.

June 21—James Coleman Brooks of Easton and Virginia Ann Vanston of Stoughton.

June 22—Robert Sherwood Frasier of Easton and Sarah Ann Leighton of Edgartown.

June 22—Charles Emery Willis of West Bridgewater and Lillian Harriet Millet of Easton.

June 22—Harold Richard Walett and Marilyn Neale Reynolds, both of Easton.

June 22—Clifford Allen Sherman, Jr. and Betty Marie Holmberg, both of Easton.

June 22—Charles Andrew Harvey and June Nathalie Canegaly, both of Easton.

June 23—Arnold Martin Hill of Easton and Mildred Gertrude Carlson of Brockton.

June 28—Hobart Fredrick Dahlborg of Easton and Sarah Agnes White of Brockton.

June 28—Clifford Gordon Grant of Easton and Mary Filomena Bucci of Canton.

June 28—Charles Barboza and June Frances Costa, both of Norton.

June 28—Richard Arnold Peterson of Easton and Mildred Doris Nilsen of Holbrook.

June 28—James Leon Starr and Olive Silva Azevedo, both of Easton.

June 29—George Irvin Gardner and Edwina Florence Taylor, both of Easton.

June 30—William Arthur Clogston of Easton and Clara Mary Swiatek of Meriden, Conn.

July 1—Hermon Albina Carter, Jr. and Yvonne Marie Cooper, both of Brockton.

July 4—August Fredrick Holster and Rita Ann McDonald, both of Easton.

July 8—Frank Elmer Tripp of Boston and Marie June Stavropoulos of Easton.

July 25—Richard Clark Hanscom and Jean Helen Gallant, both of Easton.

July 26—Orrin Anthony Taylor and Natalie Elizabeth Silva, both of Easton.

July 26—Arthur Alton Holbrook and Myrtle Alice Daigle, both of Easton.

August 6—Alfred Joseph Moran and Rita Killeen, both of Detroit, Michigan.

August 9—Frank Peter Procopio of Norwood and Eva Katherine Kalium of Easton.

August 13—Edward Richard Kane and Josephine Helen Simone, both of Easton.

August 13—Reynold Anders Haglund and Lottie Kavalouskas, both of Brockton.

August 17—Joseph Faria of Mansfield and Eudora Vivian Monroe of Easton.

August 24—Laurence Arnold Horne of Brockton and Shirley Anita Packard of Easton.

August 25—Stanley Elsworth Banks of Easton and Rose Mary McCarthy of Whitman.

August 30—Frank Waldron Batchelder of Brockton and Adeline Mary Kalium of Easton.

September 1—John Gomes of Mansfield and Lorraine Elizabeth Abreu of Easton.

September 5—Albert John Caparotta of Brockton and Virginia Lorraine Weir of Easton.

September 6—Horace Joseph Fournier and Delia Ethel Shetler, both of Brockton.

September 7—Roy Warren Ingemarson of Brockton and Ruth Lillian Swanson of Easton.

September 13—Frederick Waldemar Olson and Martha Cecelia Ottoson, both of Easton.

September 13—Philip Eaton Watts of Brockton and Lois Wilbar Reynolds of Easton.

September 14—Roy August Spangler of New York and Selma Ingrid Anderson of Easton.

September 20—James Michael Doherty of Easton and Philomena Margaret Palladino of Mansfield.

September 21—Louis Harding Anderson of Easton and Mary Alice Casey of Brockton.

September 21—John Miller of Easton and Phyllis Arlene Seaver of Bridgewater.

September 21—Carl Arthur Kempf of Easton and Albertina Sylvia Roque of Bridgewater.

October 3—James Robert Hepworth of Canton and Grace Virginia Corkum of Easton.

October 11—Charles William Weir of Easton and Dorothy Adelene Lawson of Brockton.

October 12—Robert Sherwood Anderson and Marjorie Day Eames, both of Easton.

October 13—Walter L. Maxwell and Bertha V. Wishart, both of Taunton.

October 19—Robert Harrington Craig of Easton and Anna Veronica Gilmore of Brockton.

October 23—James Alonso Baker of Easton and Gladys Irene Burke of Brockton.

October 31—Albert Ernest Anderson of Brockton and Josephine Adelle Weir of Easton.

October 31—George Franklin Madan of West Bridgewater and Marjorie Hazel Bruce of Easton.

October 31—John Alexander Pires and Maxine Louise Legge, both of Easton.

November 2—William Joseph Finegan and Corinne McBride, both of Brockton.

November 4—Edward Parker and Anna Welch Dexter, both of Easton.

November 21—Ashley Bradshaw Stowell and Geneva May Flower, both of Easton.

November 22—Donald Gus Metje and Beatrice Amelia Ornellas, both of Easton.

November 27—Roy Linwood Hayden of Easton and Muriel Louise Cram of Dedham.

November 27—Frank Eugene Perkins of Old Town, Maine, and Helena Bradford Sherman of Easton.

December 5—Stanley Frank John Borgeson of Easton and Helen Florence Badger of West Bridgewater.

December 6—Anthony Francis Lallis of Easton and Joanna Louise Blanchard of Avon.

December 6—Frank Walter Johnson of Brockton and Barbara Edith Eastwood of Easton.

December 6—Ralph Silva Azevedo of Easton and Gertrude Marguerite Sears of Boston.

December 7—Burritt Fuller Leighton of Brockton and Priscilla Hayward of Easton.

December 16—Ernest Warren Pierce, Jr., of Fairhaven and Marjorie Catherine Fozzy of Easton.

December 31—Charles Silva of Easton and Melva Skillings of Brockton.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN EASTON, 1947

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
JANUARY					
1	Christine Mathilda Dahlborg	79	8	2	Lobar Pneumonia
3	John Barboza	0	0	7h.	Prematurity
7	Gordon Russell Burrill	14	0	26	Broncho Pneumonia
9	Charlotte Barboza	37	1	6	Meningitis, acute, Pneumococcus; Sphenoiditis, acute, pneumococcus
18	Anna Mattson	65	11	30	Uremia, Chronic Pyelonephritis
31	Ellen J. Sweetnam	70	—	—	Cardiac Decompensation
FEBRUARY					
5	Martin Elbert Reynolds	71	0	13	Cerebral Thrombosis
11	Theresa M. McEntee	75	9	29	Exsanguination
24	Anthony G. Cardoza	58	—	—	Carcinoma of Stomach
24	Joseph Edwin Kierstead	73	7	21	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
25	Gladys A. Boynton	21	3	9	Acute Pulmonary Edema
MARCH					
1	Mary A. Murphy	60	5	25	Adenocarcinoma
1	Janet Jeffery Miller	47	7	22	Adeno Carcinoma of Uterus
5	Hilda Swanson	54	8	12	Pumonary Edema, Hypernephroma
5	Caroline C. Vieira	61	—	—	Hemorrhage of Brain
9	Martha Benson	83	3	5	Cerebral Hemorrhage
16	Mary J. Healey	77	—	—	Hypertensive Heart Disease
29	John Edwin Nyquist	57	0	3	Hypostatic Pneumonia, Hypertension
31	Carrie B. Webber	77	—	—	Chronic Nephritis, Broncho Pneumonia
APRIL					
20	Hattie Elizabeth Gibbs	85	4	4	Broncho Pneumonia, Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
25	Frederick Walker Godfrey	71	5	3	Coronary Thrombosis
MAY					
4	Julia Leverenz	59	2	21	Pyelonephritis
5	William F. MacDonald	58	5	19	Chronic Myocarditis
9	Elizabeth Cananaugh	77	—	—	Arteriosclerotic Heart Diseas
13	Frederick James Reynolds	70	2	3	Myocarditis, Arterio Sclerosis
24	Hiram Hooper Andrews	69	0	10	Coronary Occlusion, Adenocarcinoma of Throat

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
JUNE					
2	James E. Drew, Jr.	2	9	24	Accidental Drowning
6	John Mattson	70	2	23	Multiple injuries, Struck by Automobile
JULY					
1	Ida Beulah Broman	59	6	11	Chronic Myocarditis, Hyperoidism, Diabetes
14	Jennie Louise Wetherell	88	7	7	Cerebral Hemorrhage
14	Olaf S. Gustafson	69	1	7	Arteriosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease
16	Manuel J. Rego	58	9	1	Coronary Occlusion
16	Joseph DeMello	46	—	—	Carcinoma of Bladder
22	Joseph M. Hayden	0	0	6	Icterus Gravis, Lack of maternel Rh factor
AUGUST					
12	Mary Enos Rose	71	—	—	Chronic Myocarditis
12	Charles Albert Hirtle	67	4	27	Carcinoma of Intestines
13	Charles H. Harvey	43	4	8	Multiple injuries following automobile accident
18	Mabel Buck	60	0	13	Coronary Occlusion
20	Stillborn	0	0	0	Stillborn, Immaturity
25	Emma Watts	69	0	19	Hypertension, Diabetes
26	Leon Ellery Willis	62	4	17	Cerebral Thrombosis
29	Marion V. Clouiter	61	9	13	Cerebral Hemorrhage
30	Ernest J. Sundell	71	8	12	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
SEPTEMBER					
2	John Henry Manchester	71	3	21	Multiple Injuries. Caught in building wrecked by wind storm
7	Gladys Rowell	43	—	—	Coronary Disease
12	Joseph F. Tully	61	8	10	Carcinoma of Kidney
12	James Hallie Gibbs	63	2	2	Arterio Sclerosis
13	Elizabeth Clark	68	3	25	Cerebral Hemorrhage
13	Ann Nagle	84	—	—	Arteriosclerotic cardiovascular Disease
20	LaRoy Clark Hanscom	71	11	13	Coronary Thrombosis
23	Denis A. Coveney	83	—	—	Arteriosclerotic cardiovascular Disease
23	George Eugene Bailey	59	2	13	Hypertension
26	Stillborn	0	0	0	Prematurity
30	Margaret A. Twohig	86	1	7	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
OCTOBER					
2	Alice Elvira Reed	81	5	12	Cerebral Hemorrhage
15	Elizabeth A. Osmond	77	10	28	Myocarditis, Arterio Sclerosis
16	Catherine Galvin	71	3	27	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease, Carcinoma of Cervix

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
NOVEMBER					
4	Mary C. Drummey	69	—	—	Cerebral Hemorrhage
4	James Watt	76	11	11	Carcinoma of Pancreas
6	Kate Jackson Phelan	95	4	8	Stone in common duct
13	John F. Murphy	73	—	—	Cerebral Thrombosis, Hypertension, Diabetes
25	Susan Adelia Marshall	87	4	0	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease
27	Lois A. Staple	79	1	4	Cerebral Hemorrhage
28	Bessie Leonard	88	—	—	Thrombosis Cerebral Artery
DECEMBER					
6	Kathryn Henderson	8	1	19	Accidental drowning
14	Mary A. Franklin	73	7	8	Cerebral Hemorrhage

LICENSES, 1947

(Paid to Town Treasurer)

Wines and Beer

(Fee $175.00)

Cross Roads Lunch
George W. Swanson

Liquor (Full License)

(Fee $400.00)

Cappy's, Inc.
James R. Conlon
The Four Hundred
John J. Spillane

Package Goods (All Alcoholic)

(Fee $200.00)

Frank J. Mitrano
Harry J. D. Sundell

Package Goods (Wines and Beer)

(Fee $75.00)

John Camara

Special Liquor Permits

Easton Rod and Gun Club (2)	$2.00
Hockamock Fox Hound Club (2)	2.00
Sacred Heart Society (3)	15.00
Sons of Lebanon	5.00
St. Raymond's Society	5.00
Hercules Powder Co.	1.00
Our Lady of Annunciation Soc.	5.00
Easton Fire Department	1.00
North Star Lodge	1.00
Mrs. John Abreau	1.00

Victuallers' Licenses

(Fee $5.00)

Cappy's, Inc.
John J. Spillane
Cross Roads Lunch
James A. Zarella
The Merrymacs
James R. Conlon
The Four Hundred
George W. Swanson
Duarte's, Inc.
Ernest W. Corcoran

John C. Fitzgibbons
O'Connor's News Store
Topsys Chicken Coop
Walter F. Mager
Frank O. Gomes
Fred A. Leavitt
Cecil V. Wilshire
Brant Rock Pharmacy, Inc.
Carl W. Carlson
Ames Baldwin Wyoming Co.
Julius B. Grond
James A. McAna
Veterans of Foreign Wars

Sunday Licenses

(Fee $5.00)

David Pickett
Floyd E. Peaslee
Charlotte Kimball
Albin E. Fuller
Julia Waugh
Ray T. Farnum
Frank L. Morris
Edgar H. Rohdin
C. Robert Mitchell
Hannah Pomeroy

Auto Dealer's Licenses

(Fee $10.00)

Donohue Motors
Easton Motor Sales
Winthrop C. Hanscom
Clifton W. Badeau
C. Frizado and J. H. Earl
Mitrano Chevrolet Co.
Sherwood C. Nye
Kenneth T. LaPensee
Avery L. Williams

Gasoline Licenses

(Fee $1.00)

James Alexio
Wm. R. Kelloway, Jr.

Gasoline Registrations

(Fee 50c)

Charles Del Sordo
Clifton Badeau
Carl Dahl
Donohue Motors
Edmund C. Ford
Charles Frizado
Anthony Garcia (2)
Ladd's Service Station
Roy C. Oman
David Pickett
Socony Vacuum Oil Co.
Easton Motor Sales
James Alexio
Frank E. Blake
Joseph M. Dardano
George C. Field
Hazel L. Frasier
Charlotte Kimball
Main Street Garage
Floyd E. Peaslee
Edgar H. Rohdin
Harry J. D. Sundell
Meadow Lea Cranberry Co.
N.Y., N.H. & H. R.R. Co. (2)

Junk Licenses

(Fee $20.00)

Fred A. Hall	William Familant

Sunday Entertainment License

Standley and Wilbur	$10.00

State Peddler's License

Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts	$11.00

Auctioneers' License

Leslie J. Gordon (2)	$4.00

Milk Licenses, Board of Health

49 Licenses @ 50c, $24.50

Oleomargarine Licenses, Board of Health

12 Licenses @ 50c, $6.00

Pasteurization Licenses, Board of Health

(Fee $10.00)

Charles E. Wilbur	George L. Randall

Non-Alcoholic Beverage License, Board of Health

(Fee $20.00

Simpson Spring Co.

Slaughtering License, Board of Health

(Fee $25.00)

Joseph H. Wilbur

License to Manufacture Ice Cream, Board of Health

(Fee $1.00)

Julius B. Grond

Trailer Camp License, Board of Health

(Fee $3.00)

Harold and Arthur O. Sprague

HUNTING, FISHING, TRAPPING LICENSES, 1947

136	Resident Citizen Fishing	@ $2.00	$272.00
95	Resident Citizen Hunting	@ 2.00	190.00
126	Resident Citizen Sporting	@ 3.25	409.50
37	Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing	@ 1.25	46.25
1	Resident Citizen Minor Trapping	@ 2.25	2.25
12	Resident Citizen Trapping	@ 5.25	63.00
3	Non Resident Fishing (Special)	@ 1.50	4.50
1	Non Resident Fishing	@ 5.25	5.25
2	Duplicate Licenses*	@ .50	1.00
36	Resident Citizen Sporting**	@ .00	.00
4	Resident Citizen Military Service***	@ .00	.00
453			$993.75

*No fees allowed

**Free to residents over 70 years of age

***Free to residents in military service

Fees on 411 Licenses to Town Treasurer	@ $.25	102.75
Paid to Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Fisheries and Game		$891.00

The total number of licenses issued for each of the past five years was as follows:

1943	320
1944	357
1945	366
1946	482
1947	453

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Clerk.

DOG LICENSES

Issued December 1, 1946, to December 1, 1947

Individual Licenses	510
Kennel Licenses	12
Total	522

The above 522 licenses were as follows:

1	Kennel	@	$25.00	$25.00
11	Kennel	@	10.00	110.00
326	Males	@	2.00	652.00
60	Females	@	5.00	300.00
125	Female Spayed	@	2.00	248.00
522				$1,335.00
Less fees to Town Treasurer:				
522	Fees	@	.20	104.40
Paid to Treasurer of Bristol County				$1,230.60

DOGS

For the benefit of the owners and keepers of dogs, the following extract of the General Laws is submitted:

General Laws, Chapter 140

Section 137—Licenses and Tags. The owner or keeper of a dog which is three months old or over shall annually, on or before March thirty-first, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from April first following, if the dog is kept in Boston in the office of the police Commissioner, or if kept in any other town in the office of the clerk thereof. The license shall be in a form prescribed by the director, upon a blank to be furnished, except in the County of Suffolk, by the county in which the town is located, and shall be subject to the conditions expressed therein that the dog which is the subject of the license shall be controlled and restrained from killing, chasing or harassing live stock or fowls. The owner or keeper of a licensed dog shall cause it to wear around its neck or body a collar or harness of leather or other suitable material, to which shall be securely attached a tag in a form prescribed by the director, and upon which shall appear the license number, the name of the town issuing such license and the year of issue. Such tags shall be furnished in the same manner as the license blanks, and if any such tag shall be lost the owner or keeper of such dog shall forthwith secure a substitute tag from the town clerk, at a cost of ten cents which shall be retained by the clerk, unless otherwise provided by law. Any persons may bring or cause to be brought from another state or county any dog licensed under the law thereof and keep such dogs in this commonwealth for a period not exceeding thirty days without licensing it hereunder, and during such period the forgoing provisions of this section shall not apply to such dog.

Section 138—Licenses. A person who after April first in any year becomes the owner or keeper of a dog which is not duly licensed, and the owner or keeper of a dog when it becomes three months old after March thirty-first in any year, shall cause it to be registered, numbered, described, licensed, collared or harnessed and tagged as required by section one hundred and thirty-seven. A person who after April first in any year becomes the owner or keeper of a dog which is duly licensed in the town where kept shall forthwith give notice in writing to the clerk of such town, or if kept in Boston to the police commissioner, that he has become such owner or keeper, and said clerk or police commissioner, as the case may be, shall change the record of such license to show the name and address of the new owner or keeper.

STANLEY F. RICE, Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

For the Year 1947

Organization

STANLEY F. RICE, Clerk
SIGFRID V. LEDIN, Chairman
JOHN J. GALVIN
LUTHER E. SWIFT

Three meetings for registration were held during the year 1947.

At the close of the final registration on February 19, 1947, the total number of registered voters was as follows:

	Men	**Women**	**Total**
Precinct 1	234	227	461
Precinct 2	952	979	1931
Precinct 3	386	380	766
Total	1572	1586	3158

Because of the fact that there was only one election during the year, the voting lists were adjusted but not printed. There will be two printings necessary during 1948. A printing will be made before the Town Election in March and again before the State Election in November. At the present cost of paper and labor this will amount to about $100.00 for each printing.

All nomination papers were certified at various meetings of the board.

SIGFRID V. LEDIN, Chairman
STANLEY F. RICE, Clerk
JOHN J. GALVIN
LUTHER E. SWIFT
Registrars of Voters.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

To the Citizens of Easton:

We respectfully submit the following report of the financial condition of the Town of Easton as assessed on January 1, 1947:

Value of Real Estate	$4,709.595.00
Value of Personal Estate	491,680.00
Value of Real Estate assessed in December	500.00
Total assessed Valuation of the Town of Easton	$5,201,775.00
Number of Corporations and Persons assessed	1,715
Rate of Property Tax per thousand of valuation	$36.00
Value of Motor Vehicles assessed	408,480.00
Number of Motor Vehicles assessed	2,158
Rate of Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	$36.23
Number of Males assessed	1,990
Rate of Poll Tax	$2.00
Number of acres of land assessed	16,175.25
Number of dwelling houses assessed	1,450
Number of horses assessed	55
Number of cows assessed	488
Number of neat cattle other than cows assessed	95
Number of swine assessed	104
Number of sheep assessed	43
Number of fowl assessed	19,925
Number of all other animals assessed	143

Valuation of the Districts:

North Easton Village District	$2,376,340.00
South Easton and Eastondale District	1,354,975.00
Unionville District	525,885.00
Easton Center District	108,500.00

Amount raised and appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1947 including the Overlay	$282,257.45

Amount appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting in March, 1947		3,000.00
State Tax	$4,300.00	
State Parks Tax	338.06	
State Parks Tax underestimate	126.78	
State Audit of Municipal Accts.	385.91	
School Bond and Interest	10,776.25	
County Tax	11,233.59	
County Tax 1946 underestimate	290.58	
County Hospital Tax	4,533.90	
Total Expenditures		$317,242.52
Estimated Receipts	$108,024.62	
Available Funds:		
Amount used by Assessors from Excess and Deficiency Account to reduce the Tax Levy	15,000.00	
Appropriated at Town Meeting	3,000.00	
Total Receipts		126,024.62
Total amount raised by taxation on Polls and Property		$191,217.90

The Tax Rate increased from $31.00 in 1946, to $36.00 in 1947. The chief contributing cause was an increase in appropriations of approximately $38,000.00. This was offset to a certain degree by increased estimated receipts, also by additional valuation.

There was a gain of $102,640.00 in assessable real estate valuation. A loss in personal valuation of $3,155.00 is recorded. The net gain in valuation for the year of 1947 was $99,485.00, as compared with the previous year.

The motor vehicle valuation increased $149,480.00 during 1947.

Fifteen thousand dollars were transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account to reduce the tax levy. In 1946, $22,000.00 were used.

JOSEPH W. LINEHAN,
KENNETH C. HAYWARD
MARY E. WADE,

Assessors of Easton.

STATE AUDITOR'S REPORT

November 26, 1947

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. Lewis R. Mason, Chairman
Easton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the collector, treasurer, and town clerk of the town of Easton for the period from April 12, 1946 to August 16, 1947, and of all other departments of the town for the period from October 2, 1945 to August 16, 1947, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

FRANCIS X. LANG,

Director of Accounts.

Mr. Francis X. Lang
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the collector, treasurer, and town clerk of the Town of Easton for the period from April 12, 1946, and of all other town departments from October 2, 1945, the dates of the previous examinations, to August 16, 1947, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as shown on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the reports and the records in the office of the town accountant.

The ledger accounts were analyzed, the appropriations and transfers being checked with the town clerk's records of town meeting proceedings and with the finance committee's authorizations of transfers. A trial balance was taken off, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on August 16, 1947 was prepared and is appended to this report.

It is again recommended that the salaries of elected officials be fixed annually by vote of the town, in accordance with the provisions of Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The receipts, as recorded, were checked with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the treasury, while the payments were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds. The cash book additions were verified, and the cash balance on August 16, 1947 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit, by actual count of the cash in the office, and by examination of the savings bank books.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The additions to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the reported redemptions were checked, and the tax titles on hand were listed, proved, and compared with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The securities and savings bank books representing the investment of the trust funds in the custody of the trustees, the town treasurer, and the selectmen were examined, the income being proved and the transfers to the town being verified.

The books and accounts of the tax collector for the town and districts were examined and checked. The accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination and all subsequent commitment lists were audited and compared with the assessors' warrants for their collection. The recorded payments to the treasurer were checked to the treasurer's cash book, the abatements as recorded were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger.

The outstanding accounts were verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received thereto it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The selectmen's and the town clerk's records of licenses and fees were examined, and the recorded payments to the town treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified.

The surety bonds of the town officials required to file them for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of departmental accounts receivable were examined and checked. The reported payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's cash book ,the abatements were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective ledger accounts.

The accounts of the sealer of weights and measures, as well as of all departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and reconciled with the treasurer's and the accountant's books.

In addition to the balance sheet referred to, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and the collector's cash, summaries of the town and district taxes, tax titles, tax possessions, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the transactions and condition of the trust funds.

For the cooperation received from the several officials of the town during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Assistant Director of Accounts.

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

TAXES OF 1945

Dr.

Uncollected balance, January 1, 1947	$1,358.98	
Interest charged	85.13	
Costs charged	19.80	
Tax Taking Interest	.81	
Tax Taking Costs	39.15	
		$1,503.87

Cr.

Collected in 1947	$1,336.24	
Interest collected	85.13	
Costs collected	19.80	
Abatements	12.00	
Tax Taking Interest	.81	
Tax Taking Costs	39.15	
Tax Taking Account	10.74	
		$1,503.87

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	TAX Takings	Total
Excise	$ .00	$8.00	$ .00	$8.00
Poll	2.00	4.00	.00	6.00
Personal	91.13	.00	.00	91.13
Real	1,143.79	.00	9.62	1,153.41
North Easton	20.61	.00	.00	20.61
South Easton	9.05	.00	.03	9.08
Unionville	8.55	.00	1.09	9.64
Easton Center	61.11	.00	.00	61.11
Total	$1,336.24	$12.00	$10.74	$1,358.98

TAXES OF 1946

Dr.

Uncollected balance, January 1, 1947	$14,215.52	
Interest charged	237.90	
Costs charged	148.85	
Tax Taking Interest	1.02	
Tax Taking Costs	14.30	
Abatement after payment	1.54	
		$14,619.13

Cr.

Collected in 1947	$12,025.59	
Interest collected	237.90	
Costs collected	148.85	
Abatements	161.28	
Abatements refunded	1.54	
Tax Taking Interest	1.02	
Tax Taking Costs	14.30	
Tax Taking Account	27.43	
Uncollected balance, December 31, 1947	2,001.22	
		$14,619.13

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Refunded	Tax Takings	Uncollected	Total
Excise	$820.00	$68.43	$1.54	$ .00	$19.47	$909.44
Poll	10.00	8.00	.00	.00	6.00	24.00
Personal	646.38	72.85	.00	.00	125.55	844.78
Real	9,940.94	.00	.00	25.77	1,715.98	11,682.69
N. Easton	308.10	2.80	.00	.00	75.95	386.85
S. Easton	103.22	5.20	.00	.48	4.15	113.05
Unionville	120.90	4.00	.00	1.18	17.22	143.30
E. Center	76.05	.00	.00	.00	36.90	112.95
Total	$12,025.59	$161.28	$1.54	$27.43	$2,001.22	$14,217.06

TAXES OF 1947

Dr.

Excise Commitments	$12,113.91
Poll Commitments	3,980.00
Personal Property Commitment	18,750.91

Real Estate Commitment	179,135.74	
December Commitments	74.88	
Interest charged	68.90	
Costs charged	170.25	
Abatement after payment	307.06	
		$214,601.65

Cr.

Collected in 1947	$195,335.51	
Interest collected	68.90	
Costs collected	170.25	
Abatements	2,460.44	
Abatements refunded	307.06	
Tax Taking Account	163.32	
Uncollected balance, December 31, 1947	15,996.18	
		$214,601.65

— ITEMIZED —

	Collected	Abated	Refunded	Tax Takings	Uncollected	Total
Excise	$11,062.96	$287.48	$183.19	$ .00	$763.47	$12,297.10
Poll	2,594.00	1,364.00	4.00	.00	22.00	3,984.00
Personal—	16,688.16	.00	.00	.00	1,012.32	17,700.48
Real	155,112.23	768.60	113.10	150.02	13,432.47	169,677.12
N. Easton—	6,317.05	25.06	3.22	4.55	317.97	6,667.85
S. Easton—	1,160.52	8.85	1.60	.20	108.32	1,279.49
Unionville—	1,549.62	3.30	1.35	8.54	182.02	1,744.83
E. Center	850.97	3.15	.00	.00	157.51	1,011.63
Total	$195,335.51	$2,460.44	$307.06	$263.31	$15,996.18	$214,362.50

STANLEY F. RICE,
Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

RECEIPTS

Balance, January 1, 1947	$100,316.96
Temporary Loans	50,000.00
Withholding Taxes	16,709.27
Bristol County Retirement System	1,426.56
Received from Collector of Taxes	
Town and District Taxes of 1945	1,336.24
Town and District Taxes of 1946	12,025.59
Town and District Taxes of 1947	195,335.51
Interest on Taxes	391.93
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Income Tax	34,521.59
Corporation Tax	16,615.88
Meals Tax	2,337.67
Public Works, Chapter 90	5,048.01
Highway Fund, Chapter 588, Acts of 1946	6,449.57
Received from County of Bristol:	
Dog Fund of 1946	1,059.44
Highway Department, Chapter 90	3,020.56
Old Age Assistance Recovery Account	60.00
Oliver Ames Highway Fund, Income	19,914.94
Oliver Ames Highway Fund, 2nd Income	1,026.00
Oliver Ames School Fund, Income	16,021.77
Oakes Ames School Fund, Income	3,925.00
Young Scholarship Fund	76.45
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds, Income	413.61
Dog Licenses of 1947	1,222.20
Federal Grants:	
Old Age Assistance	37,670.51
Old Age Assistance Administration	1,975.48
Aid to Dependent Children	2,339.05
Aid to Dependent Children, Administration	176.95
Road Machinery Fund	2,169.26

Tax Title Accounts:

Town	37.35
Unionville District	.77
South Easton and Eastondale District	.48
Interest and Costs	16.82

Departmental Receipts:

Fire Department	25.00
Health Department	465.92
Highway Department	642.50
Incidentals	2,810.50
Old Age Assistance	31,270.57
Aid to Dependent Children	2,296.40
Public Welfare	99.11
Police Department	231.20
Registrars	3.00
School Department	3,836.67
Sealer of Weights and Measures	68.61
Tree Department	162.00
Moth Department	107.40
Tax Collector	451.77
Town Clerk	1,043.85
State Aid	40.00
World War II Allowance	29.00
	$577,224.92

EXPENDITURES

Temporary Loans	$50,000.00
Withholding Taxes	16,709.27
Bristol County Retirement System	1,426.56
North Easton District Taxes	6,645.76
South Easton and Eastondale District Taxes	1,272.79
Unionville District Taxes	1,679.07
Easton Center District Taxes	988.13
South Easton and Eastondale Tax Titles	.48
Unionville Tax Titles	.77

Tax Refunds:

Poll Tax 1947	4.00
Excise Tax 1946	1.54

Excise Tax 1947	183.19
Town Real Estate Tax 1947	113.70
Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts:	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	385.91
State Parks and Reservations	246.85
State Tax	4,300.00
Paid County of Bristol:	
County Tax	11,233.59
Dog Licenses	1,230.60
Tuberculosis Hospital	3,767.18
School Bonds	9,500.00
Interest on School Bonds	1,276.25
Interest on Notes	116.17
Young Scholarship Fund	76.45
Departmental Payments:	
(See Accountant's Report)	386,211.27
Balance, December 31, 1947	79.855.39
	$577,224.92

STANLEY R. RICE,

Town Treasurer

TOWN OF EASTON

Financial Statement as of December 31, 1946

ASSETS

Cash in Treasury (General Fund)		$79,855.39

LIABILITIES

Outstanding School Bonds:		
Issue of 1929, 4¼ %	$15,000.00	
Issue of 1938, 2 %	14,000.00	
		29,000.00
Net Surplus		$50,855.39

Uncollected Town and District Taxes

As of December 31, 1947

For the year 1946:

	Commitment	Uncollected	% Collected
Town	$169,779.38	$1,867.00	.9890
District	11,061.40	134.22	.9879

For the year 1947:

	Commitment	Uncollected	% Collected
Town	$203,357.81	$15,230.36	.9251
District	10,697.63	765.82	.9284

The Town of Easton has thirty-six tax titles valued at $1,903.44.

STANLEY F. RICE,

Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUNDS HELD BY TOWN TREASURER

	Principal	Balance Dec. 31, 1946	Interest 1947	With-drawn 1947	Balance Dec. 31, 1947
S. Olive Drake Fund	$243.41	$332.34	$5.83	$5.00	$333.17
Cyrus Alger Fund	300.00	400.00	10.06	10.06	400.00
Lewis Williams Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Pine Grove Cemetery Fund—	1,480.38	1,480.38	37.23	37.23	1,480.38
Lothrop & Towne Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Daniel Belche Fund	200.00	280.99	7.05	7.05	280.99
Almira E. Packard Fund	100.00	149.46	3.75	3.75	149.46
Daniel M. Dailey Fund	150.00	150.00	3.77	3.77	150.00
Margaret J. Fisher Fund	100.00	120.71	3.03	3.03	120.71
E. D. & E. H. Williams Fund—	150.00	150.00	3.77	3.77	150.00
Elizabeth F. Drake Fund	200.00	279.41	7.02	7.02	279.41
William Erving Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Dean, Keith Family Lot	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Robert M. Malloy Lots	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Elizabeth L. Reed Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Arthur J. McEntee Lots	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
E. L. Lewis Fund	200.00	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
T. C. McDermott Lots—	1,000.00	1,169.24	29.40	5.00	1,193.64
		$5,412.53	$133.51	$108.28	$5,437.76

STANLEY F. RICE,

Treasurer of Easton.

REPORT OF CEMETERY FUNDS HELD BY SELECTMEN

	Principal	Balance Dec. 31, 1946	Interest 1947	With-drawn 1947	Balance Dec. 31, 1947
Nancy B. Buck Fund	$200.00	$211.18	$5.30	$5.30	$211.18
Josiah Williams Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Howe-Keith-White Fund	200.00	210.00	5.28	5.28	210.00
Seth L. French Fund	100.00	100.00	2.51	2.51	100.00
Alonzo Marshall Fund	200.00	200.00	5.03	5.03	200.00
		$821.18	$20.63	$20.63	$821.18

LEWIS R. MASON,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,

Selectmen of Easton.

REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE SPECIAL CEMETERY FUND

Original Amount of Fund		$500.00
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, January 1, 1947	$632.25	
Interest added in 1947	15.90	
		$648.15
Transferred to Town Treasurer's Account in 1947	$15.90	
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1947	632.25	
		$648.15

REPORT OF THE HIRAM P. AND MARY L. DRAKE GENERAL CEMETERY FUND

Original Amount of Fund		$10,685.75
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank January 1, 1947	$10,685.75	
Interest added in 1947	268.80	
		$10,954.55
Transferred to Town Treasurer's Account in 1947	$268.80	
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank December 31, 1947	10,685.75	
		$10,954.55

LEWIS R. MASON,
DENIS C. BROPHY,
ALBERT E. WOOD,

Selectmen of Easton.

WORLD WAR MEMORIAL FUND

The following is a statement of the condition of the fund as of December 31, 1947:

On deposit, December 31, 1946		$13,302.19
Credit, Interest April 15, 1947	$166.28	
Credit, Interest October 15, 1947	168.35	
		334.63
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1947		$13,636.82

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Treasurer

YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP FUND

On deposit, December 31, 1946	$3,040.36
Credit, Interest 1947	76.48
	$3,116.84
Payments from Fund	76.45
Balance, North Easton Savings Bank, December 31, 1947	$3,040.39

STANLEY F. RICE,
Town Treasurer

SUMMARY OF AMES TRUST FUNDS

The following statement is supplied the Town Treasurer by the office of the Trustees, Messrs. John S. Ames and William A. Parker:

"Following is a summary of the Ames Trust Funds held for the benefit of the Town of Easton as of December 31, 1947, together with an estimate of 1948 income. The estimate for 1948 income is based on the amounts which the various companies are now paying. This estimate does not allow for any deductions which may have to be made before the net income is paid over to the Town of Easton: neither does it take into consideration any extra dividend which might be paid by the various companies.

Funds for the benefit of Easton Highways

	Book Value	Approx. Mkt. Value	Inc. Paid Town 1947	Estimated Income 1948
Original Fund	$370,058.86	$424,848.64	$19,914.94	$18,000.00
Permanent Fund	25,025.51	24,581.69	1,026.00	700.00

Fund for the benefit of Easton Schools

	Book Value	Approx. Mkt. Value	Inc. Paid Town 1947	Estimated Income 1948
Original Fund	$313,846.33	$360,144.92	$16,021.77	$13,000.00

STANLEY F. RICE,

Town Treasurer

OAKES AMES MEMORIAL HALL ASSOCIATION

Balance on hand, January 1, 1947		$261.28
Received for rent of halls (entertainments, etc.)		1,107.66
		$1,368.94
Expenditures:		
Janitors	$412.00	
Coal	312.84	
Water	10.00	
Light	49.01	
Miscellaneous	33.65	
John R. Field, Salary	25.00	
		842.50
Balance on hand, December 31, 1947		$526.44
Deposited in N. E. Savings Bank		$509.47
Cash		16.97
		$526.44

INSURANCE FUND ACCOUNT

Balance on hand, January 1, 1947		$22,096.05
Interest received from income on Stocks and bonds held for insurance and repair account		194.00
Interest on deposit in N. E. Savings Bank		120.21
Interest on deposit in Peoples Savings Bank		15.00
Interest on deposit in Randolph Savings Bank		20.00
From Brockton Edison Co. (Wiring Allowance)		72.50
		$22,517.76
Expenditures:		
Insurance	$313.33	
Repairs	103.46	
Purchase and install. electric hot water heater and range	1,119.05	
Purchase of stocks	4,805.00	
Miscellaneous	2.94	
		6,343.78
Balance on hand, December 31, 1947		$16,173.98
Deposited in Randolph Savings Bank		$1,000.00
Deposited in Peoples Savings Bank		1,000.00
Deposited in North Easton Savings Bank		3,807.26
Deposited in First National Bank of Easton		10,366.72
		$16,173.98

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE L. GURNEY,

Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Easton:

It is our honor and privilege to submit the following report for the year 1947:

Our various Departments have again demonstrated their ability to carry on in a very efficient manner.

This year we completed two sections of roadway on Massapoag Avenue, one section by contract, and the other by our Highway Department. We now plan to complete Main Street to the Brockton Line.

It is our recommendation that the Town purchase two new police cars this year; one of these cars to be used at various times by the Welfare Department for investigations, and as the State demands that all Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children recipients be visited periodically, it is necessary that adequate transportation be available. The above is necessary in order to share in Federal and State reimbursements.

We recommend the adoption of the F.M. radio for the Police Department, as it will complete a network of the City of Brockton and 18 surrounding Towns.

We also recommend the purchase of a new Truck for the Highway Department.

The members of the Board of Selectmen wish to express their appreciation of the co-operation given by the various Town Officers, as well as the Citizens of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS R. MASON, Chairman
ALBERT E. WOOD
DENIS C. BROPHY

Selectmen of Easton

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

To the Citizens of Easton:

During the year 1947, we attempted to contact all Veterans of World War II so as to record their discharges.

A book and forms were purchased for this purpose, and a goodly number of these discharges were recorded. However, there are still some of our Veterans who have not as yet attended to this matter.

The following is a case load and financial accounting for this type of assistance.

1.	$105.00	
2.	30.00	
Total		$135.00
Recording discharges	55.00	
Forms	38.12	
Postage (cards)	5.00	
Stamped envelopes	33.56	
Total		131.68
		$266.68
Appropriation	$1,000.00	
Expended	266.68	
Unexpended balance to General Fund		$733.32

SOLDIERS' RELIEF DEPARTMENT

LEWIS R. MASON, Agent
ALBERT E. WOOD
DENIS C. BROPHY

REPORT OF MATERNAL AND CHILD WELFARE NURSING SERVICE

To the Selectmen of Easton:

Again it is our pleasure to submit the annual report of the Maternal and Child Welfare Nursing Service for the residents of the Town of Easton.

The need for nursing service and supervision has continued to grow during the past year. The continued restriction of hospital facilities still means the earlier discharge of Maternity patients to their homes. These mothers are able to obtain the professional care and advice they need in this post-partum period.

We have had one call for assistance at a home delivery during the past year.

Our Well Baby Conferences have continued under the guidance of Dr. Clara Waldinger, pediatrician on the staff of the New England Hospital for Women and Children. Due to a change in State regulations we are no longer able to have a State Nutrition worker present at our conferences. We hope this may be rectified in the future, as the nutrition problem with the young child is a very real one.

Statistical Report

MATERNITY:

	Cases	Visits
Deliveries		1
Antepartum	26	52
Postpartum	47	118
	73	170

CHILD WELFARE:		
New Born	39	99
Infant	46	189
Preschool	159	359
School	..	30
	244	677
EDUCATIONAL:		
Adult	5	62
Unclassified	—	45
	5	107
Totals	322	954

Respectfully submitted,

CLARABEL A. POWELL, R.N.,
Public Health Nurse

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the Street Department for the year 1947:

During the first two months of the year there was little snow removal, but heavy sanding was done on slippery roads and sidewalks. The last month of the year started in with snow and sanding, and there was heavy snow the last part of the month.

Graveling was done on the dirt roads and all the streets in town were swept and the sand picked up and carted away. All the gravel roads were graded, and the stones raked up. All the catch basins were cleaned out.

Part of the culvert on Pond Street was replaced with heavy iron rail and covered with concrete where two heavy stones broke off in the middle of the street.

A Bulldozer was hired to break down the two railroad sidewalls on Turnpike Street which formerly was an underpass. A seven foot filling of gravel was bulldozed down from both sides. After reshaping the street with the grader and roller, and adding 1,000 cubic yards of surface gravel, it was resurfaced.

Columbus Avenue extension—A steam shovel was hired to dig out the subsoil. We found nothing but big boulders and this resulted in spending more than the amount appropriated. 280 feet was surfaced with tar.

With the funds available in the Chapter 90 Maintenance Program, from the Sharon line south on Massapoag Avenue was retreated and took 2513 gallons. The Mansfield line to South Street was also done with a mixed in place tar, which took 11,074 gallons.

The retreatment of tar surfaced streets was as follows:
In Part: Turnpike Street, Columbus Avenue Extension, Highland Street, Center Street, Bridge Street, Baldwin Street, Union Street, Summer Street, Main Street, North Main Street and Canton Street.

Under Chapter 90, Section 34 of the General Laws, the State and County co-operated on the construction of a section of Massapoag Avenue from 300 feet South of Rockland Street, southerly 2300 feet. The foundation is 28 feet wide, the surface is 24 feet wide, and a drainage was put in from Mill Street southerly 520 feet. 56 guard rail posts were put in, 190 feet of curbing on Mill Street and Massapoag Avenue was installed and the street was surfaced with 4200 gallons.

Repairs and retreatments used a total of 48,979 gallons of tarvia and 27 ton of bituminous concrete. Work of this nature in 1948 will require well over 65,000 gallons.

A new power grader was purchased in May and has proved of great value in grading roads and in plowing snow and ripping up heavy coats of ice.

A new roller was obtained in place of the old one which was outmoded. It proved very satisfactory on the Chapter 90 construction work on Massapoag Avenue.

The Department's equipment is in good condition with the exception of six dump trucks which have arrived at an age where they can no longer be economically operated. I urgently recommend that at least one truck be replaced yearly in the interest of economy.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL W. ERICKSON,

Superintendent of Streets

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit the report of the Police Department of the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1947:

REPORT OF ARRESTS MADE DURING THE YEAR

Offense	Female	Male
Accosting		1
Assault and Battery		4
Assault with a Dangerous Weapon		1
Breaking and Entering and Larceny d.t.		3
Breaking and Entering and Larceny n.t.		4
Begetting		2
Delinquents		3
Disturbance		1
Drunk		21
Escaped from State Hospital		1
Embezzlement		1
Larceny		2
Leaving the scene of an accident		1
Insane	2	1
Operating under the influence		7
Operating so as to endanger	1	10
Operating without a license		1
Neglect to provide		2
Receiving stolen property		1
Speeding		14
Trespass		1
Using a car without authority		1
Violation of motor vehicle laws	1	25
Violation of Probation		3
Total	4	111

ARRESTS MADE BY STATE POLICE

Speeding	2
Failing to slow at intersection	2
Failing to stop at traffic light	1

Operating without license in possession	1
Operating without registration in possession	1
Operating without a license	1
Drunk	5
Operating under influence	2
Operating to endanger	2
Total	17

Complaints	671
Investigation	693
Missing persons	18
Missing persons located	15
Summons served from Easton Police	13
Summons served from other Police Depts.	31
Breaks in buildings	21
Messages delivered	36
Doors found unlocked	21
Bicycles stolen	2
Bicycles recovered	3
Licenses suspended	31
Reports to Registry of Motor Vehicles—Warning	68
Property lost or stolen, total value	$9,293.00
Property recovered, total value	$6,787.00
Revolver permits issued	31
Revolver permits issued Police	11
Days in District Court	79
Days in Superior Court	21
Class 1 dealers' motor vehicles sales reports	96
Individual Transfer or sales reports	276
Total amount of fines	$1,185.00
Total amount of jail sentences imposed	6 years
Total probation periods	4 years
Fire calls	15
Patients removed to hospitals in Police Ambulance:	
Relief cases (including accident)	51
Private	19
Total	70

TRAFFIC REPORT

Accidents reported involving personal injury	39
Accidents reported involving property damage	36
Fatal accidents	3

Persons fatally injured	4
Pedestrians involved in accidents	6
Bicyclists involved in accidents	1
Coasting accidents	1

Of the above accidents, none involved children of school age.

This is a decrease in the number of accidents in comparison to the previous year.

Increased traffic patrols may further decrease the number of accidents, which cause such personal injury, and property damage.

In concluding this report I should like to express my thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the local office of the New England Telephone Co., and all other departments and agencies that have rendered us cooperation and valuable assistance in carrying out our responsibilities.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. BERGLUND,
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, 1947

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I submit the following report of the activities of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1947:

Total Number of Calls	174
Summary:	
Building Fires	21
Chimney Fires	14
Brush, Grass & Dump Fires	96
Automobile & Truck Fires	8
Oil & Gasoline Flares	6
False & Unnecessary	8
Emergency	4
Aid Calls to Outside Towns	0
All Others	2
Permits Issued:	
Fires in Open Air	530
Storage of Fuel & Range Oil	179
Transportation of Explosives	1

The department has again had a comparatively active year. The number of calls show a slight decrease from the number of calls last year. Building fires showed no increase and the brush fires showed a slight decrease. Our Town was very fortunate in not having any serious wood fires during the extreme dry season when our woods were closed by His Excellency, Governor Bradford. Constant watch and patrol of the small ones that did start was the answer to this problem.

All apparatus at both the North Easton and South Easton stations are at present in good working order. The pump on the Acme forest fire truck has now given out and replacement of the same is necessary. I have purchased a modern type Hale Centrifugal pump. This pump is a portable unit and can be easily detached from the truck, should any serious mechanical trouble develop. This pump can again be attached to another truck with very little expense.

Our manpower has now returned to normal. Each man as he returned from the services of his country has received his position back with the company. South Easton Company now has a full membership and we are receiving fair response to the alarms. North Easton Company averages ten men at a call during the day which I feel is a good record for a call fire company. Drills from both stations will be held as soon as the weather permits.

Our Fire Alarm system is in working condition. We have some repairs to make from the last severe snowstorm. We now have all wire and supplies that we need to renew our system from Main Street to North Main Street and the work will be done as soon as we have a break in the weather. Trimming has been carried on this summer and one circuit has been completed.

Our new General Electric Radio Frequency Modulation has been installed, with a transmitter and receiving set in the North Easton Station, a transmitter and receiving set in the chief's car, and a receiving set in the South Easton station. We now have seven properly licensed operators and it is the duty of one of these operators to take over the radio at all fires. This allows the station to be in constant touch with the chief's car, all fire towers, and fire departments in all surrounding communities. The radio has proven a great asset to the efficiency of the department and has saved many a needless run.

The stucco in the front of the South Easton station has been taken care of and will prevent further cracking. There are a few minor repairs to be made in both stations.

Fire Prevention Week was observed by showing pictures of the Cape Fire in the assembly at the High School. Remarks were made by Henry Burt, District Fire Warden, and your local chief. Inspections were made at each school and fire drills were held at each under my supervision. I wish to extend my thanks to the school authorities for their hearty cooperation.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, and all other town departments and their members for their kind assistance given to me and this department during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR W. BAILEY, Chief

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Selectmen of Easton:

I herewith submit this consolidated report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures of the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1947:

	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Platform Scales:				
10,000 lbs or over		3		
100-5,000 lbs.	3	30		
Counter Scales:				
Over 100 lbs.		1		
Under 100 lbs.		12		
Spring Scales:				
100 lbs or over	1	4		
Under 100 lbs.	3	15		
Computing Scales under 100 lbs.		24		
Personal weighing		2		1
Prescription scales		2		
Avoirdupois weights	8	130		
Apothecary weights		33		
Liquid measures		27		
Meters—1-inch inlet	2	52		
Meters—over 1-inch inlet		6		
Oil measuring pumps		5	4	
Kerosene pumps		4		
Grease measuring devices		10		
Yard sticks		2		

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. GUSTAFSON,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I submit my report as Dog Officer for the Town of Easton for the year ending December 31, 1947.

A list of unlicensed dogs was furnished to me, and to the best of my ability, I went after every one of them.

During the year, a total of 37 stray dogs were picked up, held for six days, and then disposed of.

There were 12 cases damage done by dogs, reported to me, and I attended to same, and put a restraint for 30 days on these dogs.

43 cases of complaints were made to me, which I investigated.

17 Dogs, reported lost, were returned to their owners by me.

I would like to recommend that all dog owners be listed in the Town report, indicating how many dogs are owned by each party, and also a list of all kennels.

I would like to thank the Police Department, Town Clerk, and Board of Selectmen, for the assistance rendered during the year, which was a great help towards enabling me to fulfill my job as Dog Officer.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS J. REARDON,

Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Selectmen of Easton:

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1947:

During the year the inspection of all cattle, sheep and swine was made also the conditions and the cleanliness of the premises where they were kept.

This inspection covered 582 cattle, 53 steers, and 103 swine.

There were 408 animals shipped into Easton from out of State. These animals were all inspected and ear tag numbers taken to be checked by the State Department.

Twelve dogs were quarantined as suspected of rabies, also two dogs coming from another state without a health certificate, were quarantined.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CLINTON GOWARD,

Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK

To the Selectmen of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the work of the Moth Department for the year 1947.

A general improvement of moth conditions throughout the town was found this year.

Open work creosoting was continued, but more of the woodland work was left for spraying.

Arsenate of lead, left from last year, was used as far as it went, and then D.D.T. for the remainder of the spraying.

The D.D.T. gave much better results and will be used this year, unless it is found inadvisable because of undesirable results from its use.

While the blower type sprayer is giving good results in some types of work, it has not as yet proved satisfactory for elm tree spraying, and I am not requesting the purchase of one this year, preferring to wait until they are more perfected.

The use of airplanes is giving good results, but it is still too expensive, unless some combination of towns can be formed to purchase a plane for their use, or the companies doing commercial spraying reduce their rates.

If D.D.T. continues to be found safe to use, we can now predict that plane spraying would give extermination and may be recommended another year.

The Japanese beetle is now found in nearly all sections of the town and you may expect trouble from them this year.

Arsenate of lead, spray or powder, and D.D.T. spray or dust, will control both foliage and underground feeding, if applied in season.

The sprayer still continues to be in fair condition and few repairs are needed.

Both trucks are badly in need of repairs and it would seem advisable to purchase new ones, rather than repair them, and a request for appropriation is made in conjunction with the Tree Department Appropriation.

A cut of $200.00 in the amount asked for Moth Work is made this year.

Appropriation	$2,500.00
Expended	2,494.50
Balance	$5.50
Requested for 1948	$2,300.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE W. MELENDY,
Moth Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

To the Citizens of the Town of Easton:

I submit the following report of the work of the Tree Department for the year 1947.

Again a wind storm has done much damage to our shade trees. Forty-one trees were either blown down, or so badly damaged as to make their removal necessary. Foundry Street from South Street to beyond the Five Corners, and Church Street were the hardest hit, with scattering trees on Bay Road, Highland and Depot Streets.

This added work made necessary a request to the Finance Committee for more money, and $1,500.00 was granted. While this did not complete the work, it did put the trees in a safe condition.

At the meeting in February, at Boston, we were advised to spray the elms earlier, to control the bark beetle, the carrier of the Dutch Elm Disease.

We were told this spray would also control the Elm Leaf Beetle, if D.D.T. were used.

To our disappointment we found that it was not effective for the Elm Leaf Beetle and many of the elms showed feeding, and it was necessary to spray them again later.

If a spray is put on early, for the bark beetle, it will be necessary to spray again in seven to ten days for the elm leaf beetle.

I am satisfied that both cannot be controlled with one spray, and it will be necessary to spray for the elm leaf beetle this year.

The Dutch Elm Disease has spread throughout the State, and while those in charge are hopeful, no satisfactory control has been found.

Due to the browning of the leaves, from the elm leaf beetle feeding, it was difficult to make a satisfactory scout for the Dutch Elm Disease, and it may be found here this year.

Other than breakage from the wind storm, the trees are in fair condition. Nearly all were gone over for dead wood and traffic limbs.

Eight were removed, besides those from the storm, a total of forty-nine trees.

There are still twelve more to cut.
Fourteen trees were set out to replace those not living last year.

The large blower spoken of last year has not proved satisfactory for elm tree spraying, and I advise continuing along the same lines this year. Another year they may have been perfected, so that it may be advisable to purchase one.

The two trucks both need overhauling at an estimated expense of $900.00. "Estimate by Mitrano."

This does not seem to me advisable and I recommend that two be purchased and that the old trucks be turned in toward the new ones. The trucks needed are a 1½ ton platform, and a ¾ ton pick up.

For the usual work this year, I recommend $5,300.00 which is $800.00 less than amount spent last year.

1947 Appropriation	$4,600.00
Transfer	1,500.00
Total	$6,100.00
Expended	6,074.44
Balance	$25.56
Requested 1948	$5,300.00
For trucks:	
1½ ton	$1,800.00
¾ ton	$1,200.00
	$3,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE W. MELENDY,
Tree Warden.

JURY LIST, 1947-1948

Anderson, Frank A., Hayward Street	Carpenter
Anderson, George J., Sheridan Street	Truckman
Anderson, Harold, Jenny Lind St.	Gardner
Andrews, Robert D., Randall Street	Poultryman
Azevedo, James S., Central Street	Truckman
Badeau, Clifton W., Turnpike Street	Mechanic
Boulette, William J., Turnpike Street	Mechanic
Buckley, Joseph, Main Street	Gardener
Buckman, Frank W., Washington Street	Mechanic
Butts, Lyle M., Columbus Avenue	Contractor
Callahan, Eugene J., Center Street	Musician
Carr, Charles C., Washington Street	Sign Painter
Collins, Vincent A., Purchase Street	Clerk
Correia, Joseph M., Depot Street	Salesman
Craig, Donald F., North Main Street	Chef
Cyr, Frank X., Main Street	Caretaker
Dahlborg, Joseph N., Jenny Lind Street	Shoeworker
Dailey, Cornelius P., Sheridan Street	Water Commissioner
Darling, Harold T., Washington Street	Restaurateur
DeCoste, Benjamin A., High Street	Shoeworker
De Witt, Robert O., Sheridan Street	Salesman
Dunn, Everett A., Jr., Highland Street	Office Worker
Ericson, Everett W., Center Street	Merchant
Freitas, John J., Andrews Street	Bus Operator
Galvin, Joseph A., Williams Street	Salesman
Gifford, Merton E., Washington Street	Mechanic
Goward, Josiah C., Oakland Avenue	Meat Cutter
Hammond, James L., Turnpike Street	Gardener
Hay, Walter C., Main Street	Mechanic
Healey, George E., Main Street	Mechanic
Healey, James H., Seaver Street	Mail Carrier
Hilmer, Lennart C., Sheridan Street	Painter
Holmes, Ralph E., Central Street	Draftsman
Jermolovitch, Alfred E., Lincoln Street	Shovelworker
Kaplan, Chester, Washington Street	Restaurateur
Lawson, Harry S., Mechanic Street	Shoeworker
Litchfield, William H., Canton Street	Watchman
Lordan, Daniel F., Pond Street	Watchman

Lordan, William F., Pond Street	Painter
Lowndes, Samuel J., Pond Street	Chauffeur
Lyons, Edward J., Lincoln Street	Bus Operator
McAna, James A., North Main Street	Mechanic
Mager, Walter F., Washington Street	Merchant
Miller, Andrew, Center Street	Office Worker
McQuire, Frank W., Jr., Bay Street	Mechanic
Parker, Frank A., Turnpike Street	Inspector
Peach, Harry E., Bay Street	Machinist
Phillips, Austin C., South Street	Expressman
Poole, Howard L., Foundry Street	Contractor
Powell, George C., Day Street	Bus Operator
Ranta, Hjalmar W., Washington Street	Salesman
Reardon, Francis F., Lincoln Street	Salesman
Rohdin, Clinton W., Bay Street	Farmer
Rohdin, Edgar H., Bay and Foundry St.	Merchant
Rollins, Royal H., Depot Street	Retired
Silvia, Charles, Center Street	Rubberworker
Southworth, Philip H., Turnpike Street	Salesman
Stevens, Richard L., Turnpike Street	Office Worker
Swanson, Martin L., Depot Street	Mechanic
Trealeven, Pelham J., Seaver Street	Mechanic
Walett, Harold R., Washington Street	Mechanic
Webber, Raymond W., Bay Street	Agriculturist
Willis, Ellery C., North Main Street	Clerk

LEWIS R. MASON,

ALBERT E. WOOD,

DENIS C. BROPHY,

Selectmen of Easton.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

In 1947 the Board of Health had a good year from the standpoint of health. The number of diseases dangerous to the public health reported was much less than usual, as follows: Measles, forty-one; German Measles, one; Chicken Pox, one; Whooping Cough, seven; Scarlet Fever, four; Lobar Pneumonia, five; Anterior Poliomyelitis, two; Dog Bite, ten, total, seventy-one.

There were two deaths from reportable disease, both Lobar Pneumonia.

The total number of deaths of Easton residents from all causes was sixty, a death rate of 10.5 per thousand, based on a population of 5723, the state census figures of the year 1945.

The number of births was one hundred thirty-six, a birth rate of 23.8 per thousand. It is interesting to note that for the first six months of the year, the number of male births was forty-eight and that of female, twenty. For the year there were eighty-two male births and fifty-four female.

No Diphtheria Immunization Clinic was held in 1947, as just prior to the date set for this work, two cases of Infantile Paralysis were reported. The clinic was postponed, and it was then decided to let the work go over until the fall of 1948.

This year for the first time the board provided for a dental hygienist for the school children. This project has been satisfactory and much good accomplished for the children.

There is an article in the warrant for the 1948 Town Meeting in regard to erecting a fence on the north side of the Town Dump property. Many complaints have been received from the owner of the adjacent property on account of papers blowing from the dump and lodging among the trees in this piece of property, creating a nuisance and a fire hazard. The board is in favor of the adoption of this article.

Reports of milk analysis received from the Milk Inspector show that the milk produced and sold in Easton is clean and of good quality.

Licenses issued by the board in effect in 1947 were as follows: Milk licenses and permits, one hundred forty-six; Oleomargarine licenses, twelve; Pasteurization licenses, two; Slaughtering license, one; Non-alcoholic Beverage Manufacturing license, one; Trailer Camp license, one; Manicure and Massage licenses, six; Garbage Collectors' licenses, four. There were forty-one burial permits issued.

We append the reports of the Milk Inspector and the Inspector of Slaughtering.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB BRENNER, Chairman
CLYDE A. CRAIG
CORA M. HENNIGAR

Board of Health

REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

December 31, 1947

Dr. Jacob Brenner, Chairman
Board of Health of Easton

Dear Sir:

The following is the report of the Inspector of Milk for the year 1947, this being the twenty-fifth in a series of annual reports by me.

During the year, ninety-eight samples of milk were collected from local and out of town dealers who sell milk in Easton. These samples were tested for the percentage of butterfat, solids not fat, total solids, sediment, and plated for bacterial count.

Twenty-five farms on which two or more cows were kept were inspected, and the condition of the herd, barn, milkroom and utensils noted.

Licenses issued to stores for the sale of Oleomargarine numbered twelve, milk licenses numbered seventeen, and store licenses for the sale of milk and cream numbered thirty-two.

The quality of the milk produced in Easton has been very good. Producers have been interested in clean milk and have produced a product with comparatively low bacterial counts, from healthy cows, and have put it in the hands of consumers very promptly after production. All these points have a bearing on the good record which the majority have shown. The animals and the barns have been kept clean, careful attention has been given to proper refrigeration and sterilization, and in many cases the product has been far ahead of average standards.

I am grateful to producers and dealers for their fine cooperation and their willingness to make every effort to turn out a superior product.

Respectfully yours,

LEO J. FITZPATRICK,
Inspector of Milk

REPORT OF SLAUGHTERING INSPECTOR

North Easton, Mass., January 20, 1948

To the Board of Health of Easton:

I submit the following report for the year 1947:

During the year I inspected and passed seven hundred sixty-four carcasses, as follows:

302	Cattle
356	Calves
64	Lambs
42	Hogs
764	Total

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE CARR,

Inspector

REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of Easton:

The following is a detailed report of the temporary aid granted during the year:

GENERAL RELIEF

Totals Cases for Year 1947	16
Cases Closed during the year	8
Cases Open end of year	8

WELFARE COSTS

	Cases	Amount
Easton cases, residing in Easton	10	$2,425.02
Cases residing in other cities and towns	6	1,733.72
Total Relief Granted	16	$4,158.74
Agent's Salary	900.00	
Telephone & Tolls	36.42	
Street Listing	5.00	
Servicing Typewriter	13.20	
Burial	100.00	
Other	19.55	
Total Administration Expense		1,074.17
Total		$5,232.91

SUMMARY

Appropriation & Transfer	$6,000.00
Expended	5,232.91
Unexpended Balance	$767.09

WELFARE RECEIPTS

Stoughton	$75.00
State	24.11
Total	$99.11

SUMMARY

Appropriation	$6,000.00
Welfare Total Costs	5,232.91
Unexpended Balance	$767.09
Receipts	99.11
Unexpended Balance and Receipts to General Fund	$866.20

Purchases as follows have been made from merchants at the choice of the Recipient:

Linehan's Market	$12.50	
First National Stores, Inc.	730.51	
Garcia's	221.27	
Charles E. Harvey's Market	22.00	
C. A. Kimball	$2.00	
E. O. Nystrom	23.80	
Model Shoe Store (Brockton)	15.92	
Enterprise Store (Brockton)	14.97	
J. O. Dean Co., Inc.	38.32	
W. T. Knapp & Sons	129.00	
McCarthy Coal Co., Inc.	41.02	
Brant Rock Pharmacy, Inc.	4.73	
Easton Pharmacy	7.00	
		$1,263.04

Respectfully submitted,

DENIS C. BROPHY, Chairman
ALBERT E. WOOD
LEWIS R. MASON
MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent

REPORT OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

To the Citizens of Easton:

A budgetary (cost of living) increase was granted to Aid to Dependent Children recipients in September 1947, which increased the expenditures for this Department.

The following is a case load and financial accounting for this type of assitance.

	Cases	Children
January 1, 1947	7	17
Added during year	4	7
Total	11	24
Closed during year	2	5
Cases open end of year	9	19

AID TO.DEPENDENT CHILDREN EXPENDITURES

Cases	Children	
11	24	$7,986.49

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN RECEIPTS

Federal Grants Balance, January 1, 1947	$664.71
Federal Grants received during 1947	2,339.05
State Grants received during 1947	2,296.40
Total Receipts	$5,300.16

SUMMARY

Appropriation for 1947	$5,800.00
Federal Balance, January 1, 1947	664.71
Federal Grants for 1947	2,339.05

State Grants for 1947		2,296.40
		$11,100.16
Paid to Recipients		7,986.49
		$3,113.67
Unexpended Town Appropriation	$ .10	
State Grants	2,296.40	
Transferred to General Fund		2,296.50
Federal Balance on hand December 31, 1947		$817.17

Respectfully submitted,

DENIS C. BROPHY, Chairman
ALBERT E. WOOD
LEWIS R. MASON

Board of Public Welfare

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

To the Citizens of Easton:

During the past two years there have been several changes made in the administering of this office.

Your Board would like to call your particular attention to two of the changes.

There was a budgetary (cost of living) increase in September 1947, and you can readily see by the following statement how this affects the expenditure.

In 1946 a new law became effective allowing the Old Age Assistance recipient to have the physician of their choice. Prior to the enactment of this law, your Town Physician took care of all forms of relief, including, Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, and Public Relief, when a doctor was needed, for the sum of $800.00.

We are submitting a statement to show how your money was spent under the existing law.

Applications received during 1947	32	
Old Age Assistance granted	31	
Applications denied	1	
Old Age Assistance cases active January 1, 1947		136
Old Age Assistance cases added during year		31
Old Age Assistance cases, Easton settled residing in other Cities and Towns		18
Total Old Age Assistance cases for 1947		185
Total Old Age Assistance cases closed during year		18
Total Old Age Assistance cases open end of year		167

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES

Direct Payments to Recipients	$83,957.88
Indirect Payments: Burials, etc.	511.79
Paid other Cities and Towns	1,350.33
Agent's Salary	1,260.00
Total Cost	$87,080.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE RECEIPTS

Federal Grant Balance on hand January 1, 1947	$21,926.42
Federal Grant received during 1947	37,710.75
State Grant received during 1947	30,669.07
Other Cities and Towns	651.50
Total Receipts	$90,957.74

SUMMARY

Appropriation for 1947		$43,900.00
Federal Grant Balance January 1, 1947		21,926.42
Federal Grant received during 1947		37,710.75
State Grant received during 1947		30,669.07
Other Cities and Towns		651.50
		$134,857.74
Total Costs		87,080.00
		$47,777.74
Unexpended Town Appropriation	$8.44	
Cities and Towns	651.50	
State Grants	30,669.07	
Transferred to General Fund		31,329.01
Federal Grant Balance on hand, December 31, 1947		$16,448.73

Following is a list of Physicians who attended O.A.A. recipients, number of visits and cost of same, also number of patients attended.

	Visits	**Cost**	**Patients**
Dr. Brenner	75	$290.00	14
Dr. Del Colliano	86	338.00	11

Dr. Jacoubs	233	990.70	22
Dr. Porter	20	88.00	2
Podiatrists	11	33.00	3
Other (out of town)	29	109.00	9
	454	$1,848.70	
Town Physician		800.00	
		$2,648.70	

Respectfully submitted,

DENIS C. BROPHY, Chairman
ALBERT E. WOOD
LEWIS R. MASON

MARGARET E. HARVEY, Agent

REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

I have examined the books of the Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector, and the various trust funds, and find all these to be correct.

The expenditures, appropriations, receipts and accounts receivable are shown on the following pages.

JOHN I. LOWNDES,
Town Accountant.

TOWN OFFICERS SALARIES

Appropriation, March 3, 1947		$7,165.00
Selectmen	$1,300.00	
Board of Public Welfare	1,600.00	
Board of Health	600.00	
Assessors	1,400.00	
Town Clerk	800.00	
Tax Collector	960.00	
Town Treasurer	480.00	
Moderator	25.00	
		7,165.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

TOWN OFFICE

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$1,300.00	
From Reserve Fund	19.20	
		$1,319.20
Rent	$960.00	
Light	77.42	
Supplies	92.10	
Janitor Service	180.00	
Insurance	9.18	
All Other	.50	
		1,319.20
Unexpended Balance		$.00

SELECTMEN'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$300.00
Books	$26.50	
Transportation, meals, etc.	191.20	
Telephone	30.50	
All other	41.00	
		289.20
Unexpended Balance		$10.80

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S SALARY

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$800.00
John I. Lowndes	800.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

TOWN ACCOUNTANT'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$225.00
Printing, Stationery, and Postage	$6.13	
All other	9.35	
Adding Machine	150.00	
Clerical Services	10.00	
		175.48
Unexpended Balance		$49.52

TOWN TREASURER'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$1,000.00
Assistant	$450.00	
Surety Bonds	126.00	
Printing, Stationery, and Postage	136.65	
All other	39.02	
Protectograph Machine	220.00	
		971.67
Unexpended Balance		$28.33

TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$1,500.00	
From Reserve Fund	100.00	
		$1,600.00

Assistant	$800.00	
Surety Bonds	197.50	
Printing, Stationery, and Postage	414.02	
All other	175.62	
		1,587.14
Unexpended Balance		$12.86

ASSESSORS' EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$800.00
Clerk	$500.00	
Printing, Stationery, Postage	75.84	
Carfares, Auto Hire, etc.	65.00	
All other	125.46	
		766.30
Unexpended Balance		$33.70

LEGAL SERVICES

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$800.00
Richard J. Hatchfield	800.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$600.00
Assistant	$450.00	
Printing, Stationery, and Postage	78.67	
Surety Bond	7.00	
All other	56.59	
		592.26
Unexpended Balance		$7.74

ELECTION EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$500.00
Election Officers	$353.75	
Police at Polls	23.25	
Janitors	18.00	

Printing	70.50	
Supplies	15.79	
		481.29
Unexpended Balance		$18.71

REGISTRATION EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$400.00
Labor and Transportation	$246.89	
Printing, Stationery, and Postage	72.11	
All other	4.40	
		323.40
Unexpended Balance		$76.60

REGISTRARS' SALARIES

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$225.00
John J. Galvin	$75.00	
Sigfrid V. Ledin	75.00	
Luther E. Swift	75.00	
		225.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$11,000.00	
Transferred from Reserve Fund	350.00	
		$11,350.00
Herbert S. Berglund, Keeper of Lockup	$100.00	
Herbert S. Berglund, Chief	2,778.20	
George A. Pierson	2,293.16	
Joel A. Johnson	2,022.50	
Carl A. Palm	2,022.50	
Ernest B. Weir	20.25	
Gas and Oil	586.42	
Auto Repairs	687.68	
Telephone	228.98	
Equipment and Repairs	61.54	
Fuel and Light	184.42	

Buildings and Grounds	142.63	
All Other, Including Insurance	218.59	
		11,346.87
Unexpended Balance		$3.13

POLICE CAR RADIO

Balance, January 1, 1947	$273.50
Expenditures	.00
Balance January 1, 1948	$273.50

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$10,750.00
Arthur W. Bailey, Cihef	$775.00	
Harland F. Almquist	103.75	
Arnold Anderson	.98	
George Anderson	.98	
Harold A. Anderson	146.78	
Harold E. Anderson	150.03	
Daniel J. Barrett	137.35	
Henry J. Baxter	159.13	
Raymond M. Buck	288.36	
Harvey Bussey	.98	
Joseph M. Correia	148.40	
Robert E. Day	169.83	
George C. Field	195.75	
William L. Flynn	403.01	
William M. Furlong	187.05	
Carl Hagg	1.30	
G. Frank Heal	153.60	
George Healey	140.28	
C. Dwight Hill	214.30	
Lester M. Hobbs	151.00	
Alfred Jermolovich	152.31	
Joseph H. Kelly	176.65	
William F. Lordan	150.68	
Edward J. Lyons	142.23	
John R. Maquire	145.15	
John W. Mahoney	257.51	
Richard K. Maliff	186.41	
Robert Mitchell	5.20	
Frank J. Mitrano	156.50	
Edward P. McCarty	134.75	

Roger Nichols	16.50	
Fred E. Olin	136.70	
Robert Samuelson	.98	
Manuel J. Santos	157.51	
Fred Shaw	1.30	
Fred Shaw, Jr.	.98	
George W. Stone	285.11	
Alvin C. Straight	237.70	
Albin A. Swanson	144.50	
Martin D. Swanson	178.60	
Arthur H. Tufts	134.10	
Ralph F. Tufts	140.60	
Vernon E. Willis	144.50	
George Wood, Jr.	9.10	
William A. Yaskonis	109.03	
Fire Alarm Maintenance	297.75	
Allowance for Car	150.00	
Supplies	865.68	
Hose	336.00	
Gasoline	294.31	
Repairs	358.21	
Fuel	647.12	
Light	285.03	
Repairs	147.97	
Stationery, Printing, and Postage	16.75	
Telephone	249.16	
Insurance	285.83	
All other	28.11	
		10,694.38
Unexpended Balance		$55.62

FIRE DEPARTMENT RADIO EQUIPMENT

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$1,645.00
Maxim Motor Co.	1,545.35
Unexpended Balance	$99.65

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$300.00

John A. Gustafson	$287.15	
Insurance	12.85	
		300.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

DOG OFFICER

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$200.00
Francis J. Reardon		200.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

MOTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$2,500.00
Roscoe W. Melendy	$670.50	
Richard W. Lincoln	193.20	
Francis Lordan	720.30	
Carl W. Johnson	257.25	
Trucks	64.07	
Equipment	48.84	
Insecticides	380.76	
All Other, Including Insurance	85.29	
		2,420.21
Unexpended Balance		$79.79

TREE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$4,600.00	
From Reserve Fund	1,500.00	
		$6,100.00
Roscoe W. Melendy	$901.00	
John De Coste	554.40	
Richard Lincoln	1,165.50	
Francis Lordan	1,161.30	
Ralph Philbrook	8.40	
Carl Varney, Jr.	71.40	
Hixon Tree Co.	755.81	
Equipment	713.54	
All Other, Including Insurance	647.43	
		5,978.78
Unexpended Balance		$121.22

SALARY OF FOREST WARDEN

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$300.00
Arthur W. Bailey	300.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

INSPECTION OF ANIMALS

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$300.00
J. Clinton Goward	300.00
Unexpended Balance	$.00

LAND FOR TOWN DUMP

Balance, January 1, 1947	$400.000
Expenditures	.00
Balance January 1, 1948	$400.00

RUBBISH COLLECTION

Balance January 1, 1947	$1,500.00
To excess and deficiency	1,500.00
Balance January 1, 1948	$.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$6,100.00
Services of Clerk	$200.00	
Administration Expenses	113.87	
Tuberculosis Board and Treatment	1,629.50	
Birth and Death Returns	11.75	
Care of Dump	753.40	
Collector of Garbage	2,300.00	
Services of Dental Hygenist in Schools	360.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering	252.00	
Inspector dof Milk	175.00	
Supplies for Milk Inspector	23.56	
All Other, Including Insurance	218.12	
		6,037.20
Unexpended Balance		$62.80

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$20,000.00
Balance January 1, 1947 Ames Highway Fund		245.24
Income, 1947 Ames Highway Fund		20,940.94
		$41,186.18
Transfers:		
Chapter 90	$3,500.00	
Poquanticut Ave. Survey	100.00	
		3,600.00
Available Funds		$37,586.18
Carl W. Erickson	$2,797.04	
Francis P. Brophy	1,653.04	
Thomas C. Brophy	1,652.82	
Roy J. Daniels, Jr.	1,682.75	
Donald M. Hill	1,247.53	
John W. Lewis	1,270.80	
William H. Litchfield	1,277.22	
William Lordan	1,555.32	
Winslow P. Mac Donald	1,696.99	
Albert S. Smith	1,559.82	
Chester E. Styren	1,441.63	
Vernon E. Willis	1,814.78	
Frank Cyr	2.85	
Daniel Lyons	36.00	
S. Lorimer MacDonald	40.00	
Carl Ottoson	36.00	
Stephen Southworth	67.93	
John Madeiros	27.08	
Administration Expenses	89.03	
Machine Equipment	2,058.60	
Stone, Gravel, etc.	639.19	
Maintenance	2,542.52	
Road Equipment	163.16	
Gas and Oil	1,744.06	
Cement, Lumber, etc.	521.00	
All other, including rent, mowing services, new heating unit, legal settlement, etc.	2,497.15	
Tarvia	4,174.67	
Insurance	1,196.53	

Coal, Oil	295.22	
Snow Removal—Gas and Oil	9.82	
Snow Removal—Equipment	38.50	
Snow Removal—Horses and Trucks	1,024.65	
Snow Removal—All Other	165.00	
Traffic Lights	317.60	
Light and Power—Barn	51.31	
		37,387.61
Balance Ames Highway Fund Income Carried Forward to January 1, 1948		$198.57

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Transferred from Highway Funds		$1,000.00
Received from Commonwealth of Mass.		993.11
Received from County of Bristol		993.11
Available Funds		$2,986.22
Francis P. Brophy	$60.64	
Thomas C. Brophy	55.68	
Roy J. Daniels, Jr.	62.48	
Donald M. Hill	69.83	
William H. Litchfield	60.64	
William Lordan	60.64	
Winslow P. Mac Donald	62.48	
Albert S. Smith	60.64	
Chester E. Styren	48.03	
Vernon E. Willis	62.48	
Materials	1,870.57	
Road Machinery Fund	505.26	
		2,979.37
Balance		$6.85

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION
(Contract)

Balance January 1, 1947	$10,000.00
State and County Adjustments	1,417.65
Available Funds	$8,582.35
Paid Anthony & Sons Contract	8,259.22
Balance	$323.13

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

Town Project

Transferred from Highway Funds	$2,500.00	
Received from Commonwealth of Mass.	5,000.00	
Received from County of Bristol	2,500.00	
Available Funds		$10,000.00
Francis P. Brophy	$242.25	
Thomas C. Brophy	359.00	
Roy J. Daniels, Jr.	330.13	
John W. Lewis	337.50	
William H. Litchfield	308.70	
William Lordan	287.10	
Winslow P. Mac Donald	195.70	
Albert S. Smith	319.50	
Harold E. Sibley	464.48	
Chester E. Styren	318.25	
Vernon E. Willis	234.65	
Matthew Healey	14.40	
James C. Pooler	66.00	
Materials and Machine Hire	4,706.74	
Road Machinery Fund	1,258.50	
		9,442.90
Balance January 1, 1948		$557.10

COLUMBUS AVE. EXTENSION

Balance January 1, 1947	$1,200.00
Expended	1,200.00
Balance	$.00

POQUANTICUT AVE. SURVEY

Transferred from Highway Funds	$100.00
Expended	.00
Balance January 1, 1948	$100.00

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1947	$7,100.00
Expended	7,100.00
Balance	$.00

PUBLIC WELFARE

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$5,000.00	
From Reserve Fund	1,000.00	
		$6,000.00
Amount Expended		5,232.91
Unexpended Balance		$767.09

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$43,900.00
Amount Expended	43,891.56
Unexpended Balance	$8.44

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1947	$21,926.42
Federal Grants	37,670.51
Available Funds	$59,596.93
Amount Expended	43,148.20
Balance January 1, 1948	$16,448.73

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$300.00
Equipment	$80.00	
Postage, etc.	147.00	
		227.00
Unexpended Balance		$73.00

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATION FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1947	$1,052.94	
Federal Grants	1,975.48	
Available Funds		$3,028.42
Clerical Services	$1,005.50	
Office Supplies	61.46	
Equipment and Repairs	26.94	

Post Office Box Rent	2.40	
Servicing Typewriter	13.20	
Social Service Index	15.50	
		1,125.00
Balance January 1, 1948		$1,903.42

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN
TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$5,800.00
Amount Expended	5,799.90
Unexpended Balance	$.10

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN
FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1947	$664.71	
Federal Grants	2,339.05	
Available Funds		$3,003.76
Expended		2,186.59
Balance January 1, 1948		$817.17

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION
TOWN FUNDS

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$100.00
Equipment	$57.29	
Stamps, Postage	10.00	
		67.29
Unexpended Balance		$32.71

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMINISTRATION
FEDERAL FUNDS

Balance January 1, 1947	$317.77	
Federal Grants	176.95	
Available Funds		$494.72

Clerical Services	$270.00	
Office Supplies	6.50	
		276.50
Balance January 1, 1948		$218.22

TOWN PHYSICIAN

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$800.00
Dr. W. M. Stevenson		800.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

CHILD WELFARE AND PRE-SCHOOL NURSING

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$600.00
Ellen A. Atwood	$300.00	
Clarabel A. Powell	300.00	
		600.00
Unexpended Balance		$.00

SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$1,000.00
Expended		266.68
Unexpended Balance		$733.32

FINANCE COMMITTEE EXPENSE

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$35.00
Finance Reports	$13.50	
Association Dues	10.00	
		23.50
Unexpended Balance		$11.50

INCIDENTALS

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$100.00
Advertising on Bids	$10.00	
Legal Service Expense	14.33	
Surveying	70.50	
All Other	4.00	
		98.83
Unexpended Balance		$1.17

MEMORIAL AND ARMISTICE DAY

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$500.00
Wreaths	$22.50	
Music	171.00	
Flags	109.57	
Transportation	105.00	
Printing	16.00	
		424.07
Unexpended Balance		$75.93

TOWN REPORTS

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$738.50
Advertising on Bids	$6.00	
Printing and Binding	649.50	
Delivery	83.00	
		738.50
Unexpended Balance		$.00

CEMETERIES AND GRASS PLOTS

Appropiration March 3, 1947	$400.00	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Balance January 1, 1947	167.88	
Cemetery Trust Fund Income 1947	413.61	
		$981.49
Ralph F. Tufts	$271.00	
Russell Anderson	58.50	
Albert Giordano	16.80	
Donald Hill	60.30	
Harold Holmes	3.60	
Francis Le Roy	3.60	
Francis Lordan	134.80	
Harry Lothrop	7.20	
William O'Connell	13.60	
Joseph M. Correia	1.95	
George C. Field	1.95	
William M. Furlong	1.95	
C. Dwight Hill	1.95	
Lester M. Hobbs	1.95	
Fred Olin	1.95	

Alvin C. Straight	1.95	
Albin A. Swanson	1.30	
Martin D. Swanson	1.95	
Equipment	191.18	
Insurance	6.33	
All other	8.00	
Special Payments from Cemetery Funds to:		
South Easton Cemetery Corp.	7.54	
Pine Grove Cemetery Corp.	47.29	
Immaculate Conception Cemetery	5.02	
Furnace Village Cemetery	52.51	
		904.17
Cemetery Fund Income Balance Carried Forward to January 1, 1948		$77.32

INTEREST ON NOTES

Appropriation March 3, 1947	$100.00	
Transferred from Reserve Account	16.17	
		$116.17
Amount Expended		116.17
Unexpended Balance		$.00

RESERVE FUND

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$3,000.00
Transferred to Police Dept.	$350.00	
Transferred to Welfare Dept.	1,000.00	
Transferred to Itnerest on Notes	16.17	
Transferred to Town Office Expense	19.20	
Transferred to Tree Department	1,500.00	
Transferred to Tax Collector's Expense	100.00	
		2,985.37
Balance Transferred to Overlay Reserve		$14.63

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Appropriation March 3, 1947		$145,933.83
Oliver Ames School Fund		
Balance January 1, 1947	$2.17	

Received in 1947	16,021.77	
	$16,023.94	
Less Bond Application	8,000.00	
		8,023.94
Receipts from Oakes Ames Fund		
Special Grant	$475.00	
Salaries and Supplies	3,450.00	
		3,925.00
Available Funds		$157,882.77
Teachers' Salaries:		
Gilbert C. Mann, Supt.	$4,473.36	
Gilman H. Campbell	3,600.00	
Leon A. Regan	3,531.94	
Pauline E. Buck	683.36	
Marietta Canan	2,295.86	
Veronica E. Carter	2,273.36	
Margaret G. Connolly	766.64	
Margaret E. Dinneen	2,373.36	
E. Elizabeth Donohue	733.36	
Evelyn G. Foster	2,473.36	
Warren F. Goodie	1,476.92	
Viola D. Harris	776.00	
Kathryn E. Healey	2,273.36	
Adelaide W. Johnson	2,394.72	
Pauline R. Lyons	2,306.72	
Charles E. Mac Leod	2,673.36	
Lucille L. Marvill	2,306.72	
John C. Mason	2,771.64	
Barbara Nickerson	2,306.72	
Edward C. Swenson	1,120.00	
Gladys T. Thomas	2,273.36	
Thomas A. White	933.36	
Johanna G. McFadden	2,673.28	
Mary M. Buckley	2,173.36	
Louise E. Canegaly	2,053.36	
Raylene B. Carlson	2,162.36	
Viola M. Geddes	2,168.36	
Olive H. Gurney	1,106.64	
June M. Harvey	2,006.64	

Mary V. Harvey	2,200.00
Doris W. Leach	2,200.00
Grace P. Mills	2,173.36
Jeanette P. Smith	865.36
Anna G. Sullivan	614.58
Eleanor M. Biechele	2,143.36
Francis L. Thompson	2,273.36
Clarence O. Richardson	2,348.36
Priscilla Hayward	1,985.64
Esther A. De Avellar	2,106.72
Esther J. Heath	2,271.75
Anna A. Gilmore	2,140.00
Edith V. Goff	2,200.00
Helen A. Koroskys	700.00
Kathryn Goeres	20.30
Beatrice Hollis	277.00
Margaret Jeannotte	70.00
Helen C. Johnson	45.50
Fred Jones	60.40
John I. Lowndes	205.50
Margaret H. Mason	14.00
Alta MacLeod	7.00
Florence H. O'Leary	85.00
Leo Paananen	104.70
Myron Thomas	91.20
Dorothy Tufts	198.00
Minnye Sue Webb	15.00
Idella M. Welch	74.50
Bertha E. Wheeler	60.00
Eleanor S. Ascher	1,367.18
Mary Cavan	1,573.36
William C. Donovan	336.00
Anne Drury	1,490.00
Frances G. Fanning	1,353.85
Winifred T. Mulloney	1,353.36
Annabelle P. Newman	1,490.04
Ernest R. Ricker	1,076.92
Herbert H. Snow	510.00
Clement S. Spillane	662.64
Paul Whitten	29.25

Janitors' Wages

Alfred H. Dahlborg	2,207.35
Charles A. Malloy	1,996.59

Hjalmer E. Johnson	2,149.13	
Edward M. Williams	1,380.00	
Clifton C. Ripley	1,373.33	
Everett A. Dunn	958.32	
Carrie M. Smith	540.00	
Willis G. Buck	206.24	
Davis Robinson	52.20	
	$10,863.16	
Grace M. Murch, School Nurse	2,340.00	
Marilyn E. Boulette, Clerk	1,853.39	
Dr. Robert B. Porter	905.00	
Dr. Edward L. G. Jacoubs	20.00	
Supervisor of Attendance	100.00	
Office Expense and Telephone	241.24	
Superintendent's Travelling Expense	250.00	
Text Books	1,827.19	
Supplies	3,695.09	
Fuel	5,815.64	
Janitors' Supplies	1,387.65	
Water	195.49	
Electricity	1,444.72	
Miscellaneous School Plant	335.42	
Repairs	7,211.72	
Furniture and Furnishings	1,462.95	
Library	172.99	
Transportation of Nurse	275.00	
Health Supplies	59.02	
Misc.—Health	11.00	
Transportation	11,333.61	
Tuition	446.96	
General Expense Sundries	290.51	
Graduation	147.34	
Insurance	3,038.52	
Permanent Improvement	1,331.21	
New Equipment	833.30	
Total Expended		157,842.79
Ames School Fund Balance January 1, 1948		$39.98

DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Sale of Old Radio		25.00

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Mass.	$366.42	
Pasteurization Licenses	20.00	
Ice Cream Manufacturing License	1.00	
Trailer Camp License	3.00	
Slaughtering License	25.00	
Milk Licenses	24.50	
Oleomargarine Licenses	6.00	
Beverage License—Simpson Spring Co.	20.00	
		$465.92

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Mass.	$114.00	
Sale of Junk	10.00	
Sale of Old Grader	385.85	
Labor and Machinery Hire	132.65	
		$642.50

INCIDENTALS

Licenses	$2,798.00	
Sale, History of Easton	12.50	
		$2,810.50

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Commonwealth of Mass.	$30,619.07	
City of Brockton	361.87	
City of Boston	170.87	
Town of Wakefield	118.76	
		$31,270.57

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Commonwealth of Mass.		$2,296.40

PUBLIC WELFARE

Commonwealth of Mass.	$24.11	
Town of Stoughton	75.00	
		$99.11

POLICE DEPARTMENT

First District Court of Bristol Co.—Fines	$144.70	
Revolver Permits	15.50	
Ambulance Hire	71.00	
		$231.20

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Sale of Voting List		$3.00

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Commonwealth of Mass.	$3,161.67	
Town of Stoughton—Tuition	188.58	
H. A. Richards	124.41	
Angus J. Smith	54.29	
Rental of Hall	217.00	
Supplies Sold, Mimeograph Work, etc.	90.72	
		$3,836.67

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Fees		$68.61

TREE DEPARTMENT

Labor and Materials		162.00

MOTH DEPARTMENT

Labor and Materials		107.40

TAX COLLECTOR

Fees	$447.77	
Statement of Tax Liens	4.00	
		$451.77

TOWN CLERK

Fees	$1,043.85

STATE AID

Commonwealth of Mass.	$40.00

WORLD WAR NO. 2 ALLOWANCE

Comomnwealth of Mass.	$29.00

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Sundry Persons—Ambulance Hire		$179.00
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:		
School Department	$18.00	
John F. Carlson	2.22	
		20.22
WELFARE DEPARTMENT:		
City of Boston	$1,912.06	
Town of Scituate	51.90	
Town of Princeton	168.00	
		2,131.96
A.D.C. STATE		924.43
O.A.A. CITIES & TOWNS:		
City of Boston	$544.14	
City of Brockton	219.47	
Town of Wakefield	9.63	
		773.24
Total Accounts Receivable		**$4,028.85**

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN I. LOWNDES,
Town Accountant.

BALANCE SHEET—December 31, 1947

ASSETS

Cash:		
General	$79,855.39	
Special Playground Fund	13,470.54	
		$93,325.93
Accounts Receivable:		
Town Taxes:		
Levy of 1946	$1,847.53	
Levy of 1947	14,466.89	
		16,314.42
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax of 1946		19.47
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax of 1947		763.47
Town Tax Titles	1,811.52	
Town Tax Possessions	171.31	
Departmental Accounts Receivable:		
Police Ambulance Service	$179.00	
Highways	20.22	
Public Welfare	2,131.96	
A.D.C. State	924.43	
O.A.A. Cities & Towns	773.24	
		6,011.68
State Aid to Highways		5,000.00
County Aid to Highways		2,500.00

LIABILITIES & RESERVES

Road Machinery Fund		$4,702.07
Playground Fund		13,470.54
Proceeds from Sale of Real Estate		7,077.00
Reserve for Police Car Radio purchase		273.50
Reserve for Town Dump Purchase		400.00
Reserve for Numbering Streets		250.00
Ames Highway Fund Income		198.57
Bristol County T.B. Hospital		766.72
State Parks & Reservations		91.21
Reserve for Pocquanticut Ave. Survey		100.00
Oliver Ames School Fund Income		39.98
Cemetery Trust Fund Income		77.32
Dog Licenses (due County)		1.80
Federal Grant Balances:		
Old Age Assistance	$16,448.73	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	1,903.42	
Aid to Dependent Children	817.17	
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	218.22	
		19,387.54
Overlay Reserve		12,448.43
Overlay for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1946	1,057.65	
Levy of 1947	1,389.82	
		2,447.47

		Revenue Reserved until Collected		
		Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	$782.94	
		Town Tax Titles	1,811.52	
		Town Tax Possessions	171.31	
		Departmental	4,028.85	6,794.62
		Surplus Revenue in Excess & Deficiency Account		55,408.20
	$123,934.97			$123,934.97

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debts	$29,000.00	School Loan	$29,000.00

DISTRICT ACCOUNTS

Accounts Receivable:		Revenue Pledged to District when Collected:	
North Easton District Taxes	$393.92	North Easton District Taxes	$393.92
North Easton District Tax Titles	27.38	North Easton District Tax Titles	27.38
South Easton & Eastondale Taxes	112.47	South Easton & Eastondale Taxes	112.47
South Easton & Eastondale Tax Titles	3.38	South Easton & Eastondale Tax Titles	3.38
South Easton & Eastondale Tax Possessions	2.70	South Easton & Eastondale Tax Possessions	2.70
Unionville District Taxes	199.24	Unionville District Taxes	199.24
Unionville Tax Titles	61.16	Unionville Tax Titles	61.16
Unionville Tax Possessions	.89	Unionville Tax Possessions	.89
Easton Center Taxes	194.41	Easton Center Taxes	194.41
	$995.55		$995.55

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN I. LOWNDES,
Town Accountant.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Your Finance Committee submits herewith its recommendations on appropriations in the articles appearing in the 1948 Town Warrant including department estimates.

Once again we are faced with demands for increases in practically every department. We have tried to be reasonable as well as practical, we understand the burden that the high cost of living has placed upon the employees of our Town, we have also had in mind the plight of the average tax payer, has he had his income increased as much as some of our Town Employees? It is no secret to any of us that additional increases in wages, salaries or expenditures can only work in one direction, and that is in a higher tax rate to be paid by our real estate owners. We feel that this is a most important matter especially if we are anxious to encourage new home owners to build and live in Easton. Due to the present unsettled economic conditions we recommend for full time Town Employees, a wage increase ceiling of two hundred dollars as a supplement toward the increased cost of living and that this salary increase be granted on a temporary, rather than a permanent basis.

The recommendations as made by the Finance Committee call for an increase of approximately $62,000.00 over 1947, which amounts to an increase of about ten dollars per thousand over last year's rate, which was increased five dollars per thousand over the 1946 tax rate.

Just where these increases will stop certainly require your serious consideration, this is not a strictly local matter as increases today both in wages and commodities are nation wide, but the answer is the same if annually we find our tax rate going higher and higher.

We have made no attempt to estimate what effect the State-County or District taxes will have on the 1948 Town of Easton tax rate, as these taxes are not published until after the Annual Town Meeting.

We cordially invite and encourage you to attend this your annual business meeting. We feel confident that if a majority of the Citizens of Easton will attend, and vote, with only the welfare of our Town at heart, that all will be well for at least another year.

ARTICLES IN TOWN WARRANT

Your committee acts as follows on the articles in the Town Warrant:

ARTICLE 1. No recommendations required.

ARTICLE 2. See our budget.

ARTICLE 3. We recommend that the sum of $200.00 be allocated for this purpose.

ARTICLE 4. We recommend that the sum of $500.00 be raised and appropriated for this purpose.

ARTICLE 5. We recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 6. This article to be referred to the Assessors.

ARTICLE 7. We recommend the adoption of this article and that $50.00 be allocated.

ARTICLE 8. We recommend the sum of $100.00 be raised and appropriated.

ARTICLE 9. We recommend the sum of $100.00 be raised and appropriated.

ARTICLE 10. No recommendation required.

ARTICLE 11. We recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 12. We recommend the adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 13. We recommend the sum of $3,000.00 be appropriated from Highway Department funds for this purpose.

ARTICLE 14. We recommend the purchase of one radio.

ARTICLE 15. We recommend the purchase of one car.

ARTICLE 16. We recommend that the sum of $1,800.00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of one, 1½ ton truck.

ARTICLE 17. We refer this to the Town Meeting.

ARTICLES 18, 19, 20. No recommendations required.

ARTICLE 21, We recommend a committee be appointed to look into rubbish collection.

ARTICLE 22. No recommendation.

In working our recommendations, we appreciate and thank our various Town Officials, Committee members and Heads of Departments for their assistance and friendly cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

January 31, 1948.

EDGAR A. CRAIG, Chairman,
WILLIS G. BUCK, Secretary,
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CLARKE L. WILCOX
MYRON F. WILLIAMS,

Finance Committee

Town of Easton.

TOWN OF EASTON — BUDGET FOR TOWN MEETING, 1948

	Appropriated 1947	Expended 1947	Requested 1948	Recommended 1948
Assessor's Expense	$800.00	$766.30	$985.00	$885.00
Aid to Dependent Children	5,800.00(a)	7,986.49	7,900.00	7,900.00
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	100.00	67.29	100.00	100.00
Care of Cemeteries	400.00(b)	904.40	600.00	400.00
Dog Officer	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Election Expense	500.00	481.29	1,500.00	1,500.00
Finance Committee Expense	35.00	23.50	75.00	75.00
Fire Department	10,750.00	10,694.38	11,453.00	11,453.00
Forest Warden's Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Health Department	6,100.00	6,037.20	7,000.00	7,000.00
Hire of Nurses	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Inspector of Animals	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
Interest on Notes	100.00(c)	116.17	150.00	150.00
Incidentals	100.00	98.83	100.00	100.00
Legal Expense	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Moth Department	2,500.00	2,420.21	2,300.00	2,300.00
Old Age Assistance	43,900.00(d)	87,271.15	63,040.00	63,040.00
Old Age Assistance, Adm.	300.00	227.00	300.00	300.00
Police Department	11,000.00(e)	11,346.87	13,550.00	12,100.00
Public Welfare	5,000.00(f)	5,232.91	8,000.00	7,000.00
Road Department	20,000.00(g)	49,294.66	38,000.00	33,000.00
Registrars of Voters Expense	400.00	323.40	600.00	600.00
Registrars of Voters Salaries	225.00	225.00	225.00	225.00
Rent of Town Offices	1,300.00(h)	1,319.20	1,500.00	1,500.00
Reserve Fund	3,000.00	2,985.37	3,000.00*	3,000.00
Schools	145,933.83	157,842.79	164,561.02	164,474.38
Sealer of Weights and Measures	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00

Selectmen's Expense	300.00	289.20	300.00	300.00
Soldiers' Relief	1,000.00	266.68	1,000.00	1,000.00
Tax Collector's Expense	1,500.00 (i)	1,587.14	1,650.00	1,650.00
Town Accountant's Salary	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Town Accountant's Expense	225.00	175.48	75.00	75.00
Town Clerk's Expense	600.00	592.26	700.00	700.00
Town Officers' Salaries	6,865.00	6,865.00	6,865.00	6,865.00
Town Physician	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Town Reports	738.50	738.50	as invoiced	
Town Treasurer's Expense	1,000.00	971.67	900.00	900.00
Tree Department	4,600.00 (j)	5,978.78	5,300.00	5,000.00
	$279,172.33	$367,229.12	$345,829.02	$337,692.38
ARTICLES IN TOWN WARRANT				
Memorial and Armistice Day	500.00	427.07	500.00	500.00
Fire Department Radio	1,645.00	1,545.35		
Clerk of Assessors	100.00	100.00		
Board of Health Salaries	300.00	300.00		
Town Collector and Treasurer, Salary increase			260.00	200.00
Police automobiles (2 cars)			2,400.00	(1 car)
Police radios			1,000.00	(1 radio)
Tree Department truck			1,800.00	1,800.00
Moth Department Truck			1,200.00	....
Road Department Truck			3,000.00#	3,000.00
Rubbish Collection			3,000.00	....
	$281,717.33	$369,601.54	$358,989.02	$343,192.38

(a)	Received from Federal Grant	$2,186.59	(g)	Received from Ames Fund	
(b)	Received from Trust Funds	504.40		State & County	29,294.66
(c)	Transfer from Reserve Fund	16.17	(h)	Transferred from Reserve Fund	19.20
(d)	Received from Federal Grant	43,379.59	(i)	Transferred from Reserve Fund	100.00
(e)	Transferred from Reserve Fund	350.00	(j)	Transferred from Reserve Fund	1,500.00
(f)	Transferred from Reserve Fund (used $232.91)	1,000.00	*	To be appropriated from Overlay Reserve.	
			#	To be appropriated from Road Machinery Acc't.	

REPORT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
1948

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Bristol, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Easton in the County of Bristol, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium in said Easton on Monday, the first day of March, next, at 8:00 o'clock P. M. then and there to act upon the following articles:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of the Selectmen, Assessors, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, School Committee, Town Accountant, Tree Warden and any committee of the Town and take any action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Welfare or the Board of Old Age Assistance to appoint one of their members to the position of investigator and to determine his compensation to be paid from grant of Federal Aid.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day and Armistice Day to be expended under the direction of Elijah A. Morse Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, George S. Shepard Post No. 7, American Legion, George F. Schindler Post No. 2547, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial Year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use from surplus revenue to reduce the tax levy for the current year.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will authorize the Finance Committee to appoint one of its own members to the position of Clerk of said board, as provided by Section 4a of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, said salary to be paid from Finance Committee appropriation for expenses.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary of the Tax Collector and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary of the Town Treasurer and raise and appropriate money therefor.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to close the Town Offices on Saturdays as provided in Chapter 265 of the Acts of 1947 of the General Court.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to allocate from monies raised and appropriated for highway purposes, such sums as may be necessary for maintenance, improvement and construction of streets within the Town. Said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County for the purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at private sale, on such conditions as they may deem expedient, the converted road roller no longer in use by the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to purchase one truck for the Highway Department, a certain truck of said department to be applied toward the purchase price of same, and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to purchase for the Police Department two (2) two-way complete Frequency Modulation Type mobile units, and raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.000 therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to purchase two (2) new Police cars, the cars now in use to be turned in as part of the purchase price, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not in excess of $3,000.00 for the purchase of the following motor vehicles for the Tree and Moth Departments: a 1½ ton truck with platform body and a ¾ ton pick-up truck; two trucks now in use to be sold or turned in and the proceeds to be used as part of the purchase price.

ARTICLE 17. To see what action the voters will take in regard to erecting a fence on the North side of the town dump property adjacent to land of the late Oliver Ames, and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, in behalf of the Town, to acquire by gift for highway purposes, such land as may be necessary for the widening of Main Street as shown on a plan on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to accept by deed of gift for highway purposes, a portion of land on the North side of Depot Street at or near Purchase Street, as shown on a plan on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to accept Hollis Road as a Public Way as shown by a plan on file in the Town Clerk's Office and authorize the Selectmen in the name and on behalf of the Town to acquire the land by gift for highway purposes, and to raise and appropriate a sum of money to make necessary repairs therefor, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to enter into a contract with a person or persons for the collection of rubbish and for the upkeep of the Town Dump, located at the end of Baldwin Street, and to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000.00) for same, or to take any other action relative thereto. (By petition.—James H. Healey and others.)

ARTICLE 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Easton, qualified to vote in elections, residing in Precinct One, to meet at the Furnace Village School; those residing in Precinct Two, to meet at the High School Auditorium; and those residing in Precinct Three, to meet at the South Easton School House on Monday, the 8th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to bring in their votes all on one ballot for one member of the Board of Assessors, for a term of three years; one member of the Board of Health, for a term of three years; and two members of the School Committee for a term of three years; Moderator, three Selectmen, three members of the Board of Public Welfare, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Tree Warden, and a Finance Committee of fifteen, all for a term of one year. The Polls will be open at 10:00 o'clock A. M. and shall be closed at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

You are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each meeting house and post office in said Town, and one at the Oliver Ames High School Auditorium seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting, and said Town Clerk is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Warden or Deputy Warden at the time and place of holding said meeting for the election of officers, and said Warden is hereby required to make return of this warrant to the Town Clerk, together with his return of officers elected at the close of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 26th day of January in the year nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

LEWIS R. MASON,

DENIS C. BROPHY,

ALBERT E. WOOD,

Selectmen of Easton.

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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and the Sixty-second from the office of the

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

of the

TOWN OF EASTON

MASSACHUSETTS

For the Year Ending December 31,

1947

Annual Report of the School Committee

To the Citizens of Easton:

The School Committee submits herewith the one hundred and twentieth annual report.

New Transportation Contracts

Our three year contracts with Mitrano Chevrolet Company and Willis G. Buck expired on June 30, 1947. Specifications for new contracts were prepared and bids were advertised for in May, in accordance with the town by-laws. On June 2 the bids were publicly opened. One bid was received on routes 1 to 9 inclusive and one bid on route 10. The bids on routes 1 through 9 called for $52.90 per day, an increase of $9.92 over the amount being paid last spring. The figure for route 10 was $15.00 on Option A (two morning trips from the Poquanticut district to North Easton) and $12.50 per day on Option B (which called for one morning trip from that area). The Option A figure is an increase of $1.68 over what we were paying last June. The Option B figure is a decrease of 82 cents over last June's figures, but the mileage is also less. We are now operating route 10 under the Option B specifications, which call for one trip only to North Easton in the morning.

The contracts were re-awarded to the contractors who have provided school transportation for the past six years.

Since letting the contracts, Mitrano Chevrolet Company has taken over the route operated until December 13 by Mrs. J. E. Goss. Minor adjustments in the routes of both contractors have been made, the contracts providing for these changes on a mileage basis. Actual payments to the two contractors at this writing total $67.66 daily,—$53.50 to Mitaron Chevrolet Company and $14.16 to Willis G. Buck. In addition, transportation on Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway busses is furnished for five members of the senior class who are taking part of their class work in the Brockton Vocational School. This expense totals $2.00 per day. Hence our total pupil transportation costs amount to $69.66 per day at the present time.

The Committee was hesitant about awarding new contracts at these greatly increased figures. The absence of competition in the bidding left little choice in the matter. However, the percentage of increase in the daily rates is not out of line with increases in costs of other school items.

New Scholarship

Early last spring the Easton Huskies A. A., Inc., announced that they were planning to give an annual scholarship of $500 to some outstanding male athlete of each graduating class. This scholarship was awarded for the first time at the graduation exercises last June, the winner being Robert Wooster. The School Committee acknowledges with gratitude the establishing of this liberal scholarship.

The Poquanticut School

Last spring the Committee received a petition from residents of the Poquanticut district requesting the reopening of the Poquanticut School. This school was closed at the end of the school year in 1945 because of the small enrollment. The petitioners stated that the number of pupils in the district was now sufficient to warrant the reopening of the school. They also reminded the Committee that individual members of the Board had promised favorable action regarding reopening when this condition was met.

A survey of the district indicated that there was a possible enrollment of about 25 pupils in grades 1, 2 and 3. Not all of the parents favored the reopening, and a number expressed vigorous opposition. A majority of the parents was in favor of the proposal and consequently, after careful deliberation, the Committee voted the reopening. Parents wishing to send their children to the North Easton Grammar School were given the privilege of doing so, provided they furnished morning transportation to the school. The latter requirement was made necessary because of the single morning trip of the bus to

North Easton, resulting in a full load of pupils in grades 4 and above.

The school reopened on September 3 with an enrollment of 27 pupils in grades 1, 2 and 3.

Building Repairs and Alterations

During the past two or three years we have had funds with which to do a reasonable amount of repair work. Most of this has been confined to minor repair work and interior redecorating. Until 1946 very little painting of classrooms, corridors, toilet rooms, etc., had been done since the C.W.A. painting project in 1933. We still have some classrooms and corridors which have not been painted since they were built in 1930. Our 1948 program if carried through will include most such classrooms and corridors.

In 1947, in addition to much minor repair work, six classrooms, two toilet rooms, teachers' room, science work room, two stairwells, and portions of the corridors at the High School were painted. At the North Easton Grammar School four classrooms were painted. Three classrooms and the corridor at the South Easton School were redecorated. The clock and bell system at the North Easton Grammar School was changed from battery operation to a transformer and rectifier. Some window shades were replaced. Twelve typewriters were exchanged for new ones.

Under orders from the State Building Inspector two new smoke partitions, each with double doors, were erected across corridors at the North Easton Grammar School and one across the corridor at the South Easton School. Two doors were cut between classrooms at the South Easton School.

Repair work planned for 1948 includes painting four classrooms, two toilet rooms, the principal's office, portions of the gymnasium, the cafeteria and cafeteria kitchen, at the High School; painting two classrooms at the North Easton Grammar School; painting the corridor at the Eastondale School; redecorating the south classroom at the Unionville School; and the usual miscellaneous items. A larger number of window shades than usual will have to be replaced.

Expenditures for repairs, repair and replacement of furniture and furnishings, permanent improvements and new equipment in 1947 are shown by schools in the following table:

	Permanent Improvement	New Eq'm't	Repairs	Furniture & Furnishings
Junior-Senior High School—	$5.00	$637.11	$3,885.30	$1,438.98
North Easton Grammar School—	864.21	....	1,536.84	1.19
South Easton School	375.70	....	1,166.29	....
Eastondale School	86.30	193.69	273.71	9.00
Furnace Village School—	....	....	154.34	....
Unionville School	....	....	112.00	....
Ponquanticut School	....	2.50	83.24	13.78
Total	$1,331.21	$833.30	$7,211.72	$1,462.95

Teachers' Salaries

Salaries of teachers make up about two thirds of the school budget. If we also include salaries of other school employees, we have accounted for about three fourths of the budget. If salaries of teachers are increased, it becomes almost necessary to raise salaries of other school employees. This is especially the case if salary increases for teachers are based on increased costs of living.

The nationwide shortage of properly qualified teachers is still acute. This shortage has been caused by a number of factors. Some of them are: (1) attractive pay in other types of work, with the result that some teachers leave the profession for new fields of endeavor; (2) the comparatively low pay of teachers, making teaching as a career seem unattractive to young people, with the result that fewer have entered the teaching profession during the past few years; and (3) an increase in elementary school enrollments because of the higher birthrate of the war period, resulting in the need of more teachers. The situation thus created has put the teacher in the position of being able to demand and obtain much higher salaries than previously. Increases resulting from this condition are clearly not based on the higher cost of living.

Higher living costs and competition for teaching services due to a shortage of teachers have thus become basic reasons for the rapid rise in teachers' salaries. A third factor tending to raise the general salary level is the acceptance by so many communities, either by School Committee action or by vote of the town, of equal salary status for men and women teachers. Another trend is the policy in numerous towns of paying the same salaries to elementary teachers as are paid to high school teachers. This trend tends of course to raise the general salary average.

A committee of local teachers, representing the Easton Teachers' Club, came before the School Committee in December with a request for a $500 salary increase for each teacher. After careful deliberation our Committee voted unanimously to include funds in the 1948 Budget for increases of $200 each for all full time employees, with pro rata increases for part time employees. This of course has made a large increase in the 1948 Budget necessary, although increased costs of supplies, fuel, repairs and other items have had their part in the budget increase.

Your Committee felt that only by paying higher salaries to teachers can we retain and attract competent teachers under present conditions. A smaller salary rate will in our opinion endanger the effective use of our already high investment in local public education. Poor teaching is a tragedy to the children entrusted to the care of the schools. We are anxious to avoid as far as possible such a tragedy, and we feel sure that right thinking townspeople will be with us in our efforts to this end.

In support of our position, we quote below maximum basic salary figures now being offered by towns in this area. These figures are correct to the best of our knowledge.

	Elementary Teachers		*High School Teachers*	
Town	*No Degree*	*With Degree*	*Women*	*Men*
Bridgewater	$2200	$2600	$2600	$2600
E. Bridgewater	2100 plus $200 increase	2100 plus $200 increase	2400 plus $100 increase	2400 plus $100 increase

Franklin	2450 plus $100 increase	2550 plus $100 increase	2550 plus $100 increase	2550 plus $100 incraease
Wrentham	2350 plus $100 Sept. 1	2350 plus $100 Sept. 1	2550 plus $100 Sept. 1	2550 plus $100 Sept. 1
Mansfield	2370	2570	2570	2750
Norton	2200	2400	2400	2400
Sharon	2950 plus $200 increase	2950 plus $200 increase	2950 plus $200 increase	2950 plus $200 increase
Walpole	2660	2660	2960	2960
W. Bridgewater	2200 plus $100 Sept. 1	2200 plus $100 Sept. 1	2350 plus $100 Sept. 1	2750 plus $100 Sept. 1
Stoughton	2240 plus increase	2240 plus increase	2570 plus increase	2570 plus increase
Foxboro	2400	2400	2400	2400
Canton	3000	3000	3000	3000
Wareham	3000	3400	3400	3400
Abington	2400	2600	2600	2600
Whitman	2300	2300	2400	2800
Rockland	2200	2200	2500 plus $300 increase	2800
Easton, present rate	2200	2200	2300	2700

The effect of the "equal pay" law is shown in the columns for high school women and men teachers, the women having the same maximum as the men in all towns listed except Whitman, West Bridgewater and Easton.

The above chart shows that Easton, at present salary rates, is one of the four low pay towns in the group. The proposed $200 increase will help to correct this situation and permit us to compete more favorably with towns in this locality for the services of capable teachers.

For the school year ending last June 30, the average salary paid teachers in Easton was $2251, while the average teacher's salary for the state as a whole was $2640.

Salaries for most men teachers in the above towns are actually considerably higher than the figures listed above, due to the fact that they receive pay above the basic maximums for additional duties, such as coaching athletics, serving as faculty manager of athletics or as director of audio-visual education, etc. Most towns pay $100 to $200 additional salary for the Master's degree, and some pay additional salary in recognition of professional improvement courses taken.

The 1948 Budget

The 1948 Budget, which is broken down in the figures which follow, totals $174,051.00. This figure is an increase of 10.2% over 1947 expenditures. The increase is due not only to the increases in salaries and wages of teachers and other employees, but to increases in costs of nearly all the items required to operate the schools. The total of $174,051 includes the estimated income from the Oakes Ames and the Oliver Ames School Funds. Incomes from these funds are estimated to total $9,450, (after allowing $8,000 to be applied on school bonds), plus $39.98 carried from 1947 in the Oliver Ames Fund Account. Our budget therefore calls for a town appropriation of $164,561.02.

A new item in the Budget for 1948 is that of athletic supplies. In past years the School Department has furnished baseballs, some basketballs and footballs and a few other items which are first used by athletic teams and later, if not completely worn out, are used in physical education classes. The department has occasionally but not regularly assisted in the purchase of some other athletic equipment. Athletics are becoming generally recognized as an integral part of the school program. Many towns for years have assisted the athletic program by direct appropriation of funds. Athletic teams at our high school have struggled along with little direct aid from the School Department. Gate receipts plus funds raised by movie shows, magazine subscription drives, direct solicitation, etc., have been the means of equipping teams. Football teams have appeared shabbily dressed in comparison with their opponents, but of more importance, the boys have not had the protective benefits of good equipment. It costs, for example, about $80 under present conditions to equip properly one boy to play football. We have allowed $1,400 for athletic equipment in 1948, with expectation that needs annually in years to follow will be considerably less. This figure is based on a study of estimated gate receipts and estimated expenses of the entire athletic program, including girls' athletics.

The detailed figures of the Budget follows:

	Expended, 1947		Needed, 1948	
General Control		$6,917.99		$7,380.00
School Committee:				
Office Expenses	$86.35		$120.00	
Telephone	154.89		125.00	
Superintendent's Expense:				
Travelling Expense	250.00		275.00	
Supervisor of Attendance	100.00		110.00	
Clerk's Salary	1,853.39		2,050.00	
Superintendent's Salary	4,473.36		4,700.00	
Salaries of Teachers		95,481.31		109,640.00
Textbooks		1,827.19		1,900.00
Supplies		3,695.09		5,400.00
Instructional	3,695.09		4,000.00	
Athletic			1,400.00	
Operating Expenses		20,042.08		22,260.00
Janitor's Wages	10,863.16		13,045.00	
Fuel	5,815.64		6,100.00	
Janitor's Supplies	1,387.65		1,200.00	
Water	195.49		225.00	
Electricity	1,444.72		1,300.00	
Miscellaneous School Plant	335.42		390.00	
Maintenance		8,674.67		6,268.00
Repairs	7,211.72		5,130.00	
Furniture and Furnishings	1,462.95		1,138.00	
Library		172.99		150.00
Health		3,610.02		3,940.00
Salary Physician	925.00		1,000.00	
Salary Nurse	2,340.00		2,600.00	
Transportation	275.00		300.00	
Supplies	59.02		30.00	
Miscellaneous	11.00		10.00	

	Expended, 1947		Needed, 1948	
Transportation		11,333.61		12,678.00
Tuition		446.96		590.00
Sundries		3,476.37		3,645.00
General	290.51		250.00	
Graduation	147.34		150.00	
Insurance	3.038.52		2,842.00	
Cafeteria			403.00	
Outlay		2,164.51		200.00
Permanent Improvement	1,331.21		100.00	
New Equipment	833.30		100.00	
		$157,842.79		$174,051.00

BUDGET SUMMARY

A. 1947		
(1) Appropriation March, 1947		$145,933.83
(2) Receipts, Oliver Ames School Fund:		
Carried from 1946	$2.17	
Received in 1947	16,021.77	
	$16,023.94	
Less amount applied on Bond Account	8,000.00	
Available for operating expenses		8,023.94
(3) Receipts, Oakes Ames School Fund:		
Special grant for Hot Water Heater	475.00	
Salaries and Supplies	3,450.00	
Available for operating expenses		3,925.00
(4) Total available for support of schools		$157,882.77
(5) Total expended during 1947		157,842.79
(6) Balance		$39.98

B. 1948

(1) Town Appropriation, requested	$164,561.02
(2) Estimated from Oliver Ames School Fund in 1948, after setting aside $8,000.00 for Bond Account	6,000.00
(3) Carried from 1947 in Ames Fund Account	39.98
(4) Available from Oakes Ames Fund, 1948	3,450.00
(5) Amount of Total Budget	$174,051.00

C. In 1947 the following sums were received by the town on account of its schools for the current year and went into the general fund of the town treasury:

From the State, tuition and transportation of State Wards	$3,047.82
From the State, on account of teachers' salaries	9,927.45
From the State, as reimbursement in part for pupil transportation	4,947.38
From the State, as reimbursement in part for tuition paid trade schools	113.85
From A. J. Smith, Jr., Stoughton, tuition	54.29
From H. A. Richards, Norton, tuition	124.41
From the Town of Stoughton, tuition	188.58
From rental of hall	217.00
From supplies sold, mimeograph work, etc.	90.72
	$18,711.50

D. If the above amount could be applied to the 1948 budget, the cost to the town by direct taxes for the year would be $145,849.52 ($164,561.02 minus $18,711.50 equals $145,849.52).

Respectfully submitted,

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January 12, 1948

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Easton:

Submitted in the following pages is my report as Superintendent of Schools for the year 1947. It is the twenty-third annual report which I have made to your committee, and the sixty-second in the series of annual reports from this office. As usual, it will summarize achievements, problems and needs of the schools of the town as encountered during the past year.

Two things stand out as characteristic of the year 1947 in connection with the administration of a public school system. They are greatly increased school costs due to high prices for nearly everything the schools use, and a shortage of well trained and competent teachers. These characteristics are of course not a local problem alone but are nation wide. Far more time was required during 1947 in searching for capable teachers than has ever been necessary before in the years that I have served the schools of Easton.

Why the Schools Cost More

It is not news to anyone when the statement is made that things cost more today than they did before the war. But it comes as something of a shock to the taxpayer when he learns that school costs have nearly doubled in the past ten or twelve years. A few illustrations may help to understand why this is so.

All types of school supplies have increased greatly in cost. For example, a package (500 sheets) of manila practice paper cost the School Department in one of the depression years nine cents, and this figure included delivery to Easton. The best quotation which we can get on this same item at this time is thirty-five cents plus transportation costs. Paper towels formerly costing about $1.85 per case are now $4.00 or higher.

Textbooks have gone up in price, although the percentage of increase is smaller. Bituminous coal, which used to be delivered into the bins at our various school buildings at around $6.50 per ton, now costs us about twice that figure. In pre-war days it cost about $75.00 to refinish a classroom. Today the cost when done in accordance with our rather severe specifications is about $195,—a figure secured laast summer under competitive bidding. Our school transportation costs have increased from $38.00 per day in the early depression years to $69.66 per day at the present time. Numerous additional examples of similar increases could be cited.

Over three fourth of a School Department budget goes into salaries and wages of employees. In 1935 salaries and wages of teachers and other school workers in Easton totalled approximately $65,000; they are estimated to go to 133,000 in 1948. The acute shortage of well qualified teachers is a contributing factor to this increase. The so-called "equal pay" law for men and women teachers is another. While Easton defeated the equal-pay referendum, and consequently is not bound by the law, most towns accepted it, with the result that the general level of salaries of women teachers is greatly raised. This town consequently must pay higher salaries in order to compete with surrounding towns for the services of qualified women teachers. Only Easton, Whitman and West Bridgewater among the towns of this district have defeated the equal pay referendum, and a similar ratio holds for all the towns and cities of the state.

Before the war it was possible to employ inexperienced graduates of the State Teachers Colleges for elementary school positions at salaries of $900 per year. Now they demand and receive salaries of $2000 or better. Our maximum salary for elementary teachers in 1935 was $1260; it is now $2200 and even at that the figure is low compared to most of the surrounding communities.

The above examples are sufficient to indicate why schools cost more. The burden of their support rests largely on real estate. Until part of the load is lifted from real estate the financing of the schools will be a serious problem. The teachers of the state, through their Massachusetts Teachers' Federation, are doing all that they can to influence legislation so that the real estate tax will not have to carry such a large part of school costs. Other organizations, such as the Massachusetts Federation of Taxpayers' Associations, are working toward similar goals. The proper financing of the public schools under a good tax law should not be too burdensome. This is shown by the fact that the Federal government took from the state, more or less painlessly, some $400,000,000 in income taxes in 1946, while in the same year the total cost of the public schools of the state was $84,641,220.39.

Are Teachers' Salaries Too High?

The foregoing discussion on school costs, which pointed out salaries and wages as the biggest single factor in the increased costs, raises the question as to whether or not teachers' salaries are too high. This question can be answered from two points of view,—(1) salaries of Easton teachers compared to teachers' salaries in other towns, and (2) salaries of teachers compared to salaries of other groups of earners in the community.

Let us consider first the salary situation in Easton as compared to other communities. The "equal pay" law for men and women teachers has already been referred to. School committees in towns where this law has been accepted must raise salaries of women teachers doing the same type of work as men teachers to the level of the salaries of the men teachers. In Easton, since the town has not accepted the "equal pay" law, the high school women teachers have a maximum salary which is $400 lower than the men's maximum. The elementary teachers' maximum is $100 lower than the maximum for high school women. Since a large percentage of the towns and cities of the state have accepted the "equal pay" law, it is obvious that Easton must narrow the gap between men's salaries and women's salaries, or employ teachers which the higher paying communities pass by. This will be true at least until such time as the supply of well qualified teachers exceeds the demand. This time will not come for several years. The average salary for Easton teachers for the school year ending last June 30 was $2251; the corresponding figure for the state as a whole was $2640.

Comparing salaries of teachers with earnings of other groups of workers in a community is more difficult. When such comparisons are made, the teacher's investment of time and money in preparation for his work is often overlooked. Preparation for teaching today calls for a minimum of four years of study beyond high school. Some of our older teachers, to be sure, have less than this amount of training. On the other hand a number of the high school teachers have advanced degrees, representing a fifth year of study or its equivalent. The cost of four or five years of college study, plus the loss of earnings during the time devoted to study, represents a sizable investment in preparation for teaching, upon which teachers are entitled to a return. To compare their annual earnings with groups having high school training or less, seems unfair unless this fact is considered. As a matter of fact, many such groups, as for example railway employees, drivers of heavy trucks, and skilled workers of various types receive wages far in excess of the salary of the average teacher.

More important than comparisons with salaries of teachers in other towns, or with earnings of employees in other types of work, is the question of whether or not teachers are paid enough to live in the manner which is expected of them as teachers. They should dress well, should read widely, should take professional improvement courses, should attend lectures and plays, and should travel, in order to bring to their pupils the breadth of vision, the richness of background, the first-hand information and the general culture with which they should endow their classrooms. Only the teacher with an independent income can even approach this objective under today's living conditions and salaries.

There are two principal factors tending to create and perpetuate the present teacher shortage. One is the higher pay in other lines of work which has attracted teachers away from the classroom. The other is the smaller number of young people who are preparing for teaching careers, this reduction in number again being due to the relatively unattractive salaries paid to teachers. In our 1947 graduating class of over 80 young men and women, not one has entered a state teachers' college.

The Easton Teachers' Club has petitioned the School Committee for a five hundred dollar salary increase for each teacher. Few who are well informed on the subject will feel that the request is excessive. However, since such an increase would add about $4.00 to the tax rate (or $5.00 if the increase were to be extended to other employees) a compromise figure will probably have to be worked out. Some increase is essential, both to meet competition with other towns, and to be fair to the teachers who like others are faced with rapidly rising living costs. To a very large extent the teacher makes the school; also to a very large extent the town and its schools will get about what they pay for in terms of teaching service. The efficient use of the town's already very large investment in public schools can be seriously jeopardized by paying below-average salaries to the teachers.

Changes in the Teaching Staff

The following teachers resigned during 1947:

Winifred T. Andrews	Physical Education and General Science, Junior-Senior High School.
Eleanor S. Ascher	Commercial Subjects, Junior-Senior High School.
Mary Cavan	Mathematics, Junior-Senior High School.
William C. Donovan	Science, Junior-Senior High School.
Anne Drury	Home Economics, Junior-Senior High School.
Frances G. Fanning	Art Supervisor.
Clement S. Spillane	Physical Education and Biology, Junior-Senior High School.
Ernest R. Ricker	Science, Junior-Senior High School.

Mrs. Annabelle P. Newman, a faithful teacher at the South Easton School since 1920, and since 1933 principal of the school, died late in August. Mrs. Newman had not been well for some time prior to her death but continued to give devoted service to her school until within a few days of the end of the school year.

New teachers were employed as follows:

E. Elizabeth Donohue, a Bridgewater graduate with two years of teaching experience at Dighton, to teach physical education and mathematics.

Margaret G. Connolly, a Bay Path Institute graduate, with 17 years' teaching experience in the high schools of Keene, New Hampshire, and Barre, Vermont, to teach commercial subjects.

Thomas C. White, a graduate of Boston College with a Master of Arts degree from Boston University, with about two years of previous teaching experience in Norwood, to teach science.

Pauline E. Buck, a graduate last June of the Framingham State Teachers College, to teach Home Economics.

Mrs. Viola Harris, a graduate of Lowell State Teachers' College, with post-graduate work at Massachusetts School of Art, and with nine years of teaching experience in schools of Massachusetts and New Jersey, to serve as art teacher and supervisor.

Warren F. Goodie, a graduate of Boston University with a major in physical education, and with one year's teaching experience, to teach physical education and biology, and to do part of the athletic coaching.

Edward C. Swenson, a graduate of Boston College with a Master's degree in physical education from Boston University, to teach general science and coach football. Mr. Swenson had taught the previous two years, and coached all sports, at Burlington High School.

Mrs. Anna G. Sullivan, a graduate of Bridgewater State Teachers' College, with 17 years' training experience, most of it in the Boston schools, to teach grades 1 and 2 and to serve as building principal at the South Easton School.

Mrs. Jeanette Parmenter Smith, a Bridgewater graduate and a former teacher in Easton and Brockton, to take over Miss Lucille Marvill's room at the North Easton Grammar School, Miss Marvill having been transferred to the Junior-Senior High School.

Helen Koroskys, who received her training at Marywood College, Notre Dame College and Boston University, and who had taught one and a half years in Maryland, as teacher at the Poquanticut School which was reopened in September.

Two teachers who were given regular appointments early last winter remained only until the close of schools in June.

They were Ernest R. Ricker, teacher of High School science, and Frances G. Fanning, teacher and supervisor of art. Herbert Snow served most acceptably as substitute teacher in physical education and biology for a period of two months.

Two other teachers were hired, each for the vacancy at the South Easton School, both resigning for personal reasons within a few days of the opening of schools.

Such a large percentage of change in our teaching staff is highly undesirable. However, we ahve been extremely fortunate in the quality of our teacher replacements this year. We were also fortunate that so few of the changes occurred in the elementary school positions, where lower salaries in general have created the more acute teacher shortages.

Guidance

In my report of a year ago, I outlined recommended plans for a guidance program in the Junior-Senior High School. The plan was approved by the School Committee and put into operation when schools opened in September. Leon A. Regan, asisstant principal at the Junior Senior High School, was appointed guidance coordinator and was relieved of part of his teaching work to make room in his schedule for his new duties.

Two periods each week are spent by homeroom teachers in guidance work under the leadership of the guidance coordinator. During the present school year all seventh, eighth and ninth grade homerooms, as well as tenth grade girls, are participating. Next year we expect to bring tenth grade boys into this work, and later all eleventh grade and twelfth grade pupils.

Considerable preparatory work for the guidance program was done during the school year 1946-47, including the giving at North Easton of a Harvard-Boston University Extension Course in "Guidance in the Secondary School" by Dr. Worcester Warren of Boston University. However, the excessive number of changes in the High School teaching staff nullified part of this effort, and the guidance coordinator had to go over the ground again with new teachers. Ten homerooms and their teachers are now carrying on homeroom guidance activities. I wish to express my appreciation of the fine spirit with which Mr. Regan and these ten teachers have undertaken this new duty.

The following paragraphs are quoted from a guidance report made by Mr. Regan on December 12:

"The success of the work in guidance is in the hands of the homeroom sponsors entirely and these men and women have faced and solved many of the problems which are bound to confront one during the introduction of a new part of the curriculum. There are many other problems, however, which still await a solution. Some of these must wait for a considerable elapse of time and the expenditure of additional funds.

"These same sponsors have made a splendid change in their attitudes toward guidance. At the start and in general, their attitude was one of 'This guidance stuff isn't going to work.' Such an attitude is changing now to something of this sort—'We have the program started and it wasn't so difficult. It is paying dividends now in a small way; maybe after all there is something to it. Let's make it really work!' With the development of such a fundamental belief in the philosophy of a continuous program of guidance for every pupil, the program is bound to build upon itself and be successful. The success of the program in the future is dependent upon maintaining this fine spirit shown by the home room sponsors.

"The objectives of our group guidance program are largely of a long range nature and any attempt to evaluate the results at the end of a three months' period would be misleading and most presumptuous. Instead, I will present a sampling of the things we are doing:

"1. Every homeroom sponsor has assumed responsibility for the school life of his or her pupils. Sponsors are interested in all phases of their pupils' school life—social, educational and vocational.

"2. Sponsors have, and will continue to have, individual conferences with pupils in their homerooms. Sponsor and pupil sit down together and talk over the problem. All facts connected with the problem are gathered together and the pupil is guided in making a decision. Many problems of a very personal nature have been discussed on what must be a very confidential basis.

"3. All homerooms are organized in a democratic way with elected officers. Presidents, vice-presidents, secretaries, (some rooms have treasurers), chaplains, room committees, program committees, etc., have been trained in their duties and are properly functioning. Among other things, opening exercises each morning are handled by the room chaplain and a committee.

"4. A guidance library for reference is being accumulated in room with a student librarian in charge in most cases.

"5. Homerooms meet as discussion groups two periods each week with the president in charge and with the sponsor acting as an adviser, consultant and guide. I have visited many of these meetings and have been most agreeably surprised with the results. Some of the pupils who have never experienced such training show the need for it by lack of participation, inability to express themselves, wrong attitudes, failure to go along with the majority, faulty judgment and similar traits. Those shortages are just what we are trying to overcome with this type of group guidance. It is being done in our guidance meetings and there is a carry-over to other classes as well.

"6. Teacher-pupil relationship has greatly improved. This has been shown in the number of pupils sent to me for disciplinary reasons. Such pupils come to me almost entirely from teachers who are not participating in the guidance program. Both teachers and pupils are learning that much good can come out of a personal conference. It is a most inspiring sight to be around the building on a Tuesday or Thursday following a ranking period and find in ten different rooms a teacher and a pupil talking things over.

"There are many other nice things that could be said about our guidance work. I hesitate to do this, however, for three months is too short a time to be certain of your opinion. Many experiments are being tried by our sponsors, Misses Johnson, Thomas, Donohue, Marvill, Nickerson, Healey, Connolly, Mr.

White, Mr. Goodie and Mr. Swenson, and they are always open to suggestion on content and method of approach. In many ways I believe the spirit shown by this group of teachers is the finest thing to come out of this program. I am most happy to have been associated with them."

Visual Education

The use of audio-visual aids to instruction has been common practice in our high school for many years. Considerable use of these aids has also been made in the elementary schools. In general, it has been done on the basis of individual teacher initiative, with little formal organization. Last fall the School Committee designated Thomas A. White as Director of Audio-Visual Education in the High School. In the elementary schools a committee of teachers, consisting of Clarence O. Richardson, Francis L. Thompson and Mary V. Harvey has been designated by the Superintendent as the Visual Aids Committee. It is hoped that the activities of the Director of Audio-Visual Aids in the High School and the Visual Aids Committee of the elementary schools can be coordinated so that more effective use of visual aids can be made.

The school system now owns one motion picture projector for film with sound, one for silent film, three film-slide projectors, two balopticons (combined glass slide and opaque projectors), plus some smaller miscellaneous equipment in this category. We hope that the organization of an audio-visual aids department will result in wider and more systematic use of this equipment in the classrooms.. The present equipment should be supplemented by new equipment as funds permit.

Faculty Manager of Athletics

Last May, John C. Mason was appointed faculty manager of athletics at the High School. This is the first time that the High School has had a faculty manager of athletics officially appointed by the School Committee.

Duties of the faculty manager include the scheduling of all interscholastic games for both boys' and girls' teams, the hiring of officials, the arranging for transportation of teams, the purchase of athletic equipment, the handling of gate receipts, the organizing of intra-mural schedules, etc. This work can be more efficiently done under one directing head, and the new plan is already showing desirable results.

School Lunchrooms

At the High School a cafeteria has been operated since 1927. During this period there have been two school years when deficits have been incurred, the most serious being during the school year ending last June. This deficit was produced largely by high prices of foodstuffs, although a new staff in the kitchen plus a new home economics teacher (under whose supervision the cafeteria is operated) may for a time have resulted in less efficient management.

Last April the High School cafeteria began operation under the National School Lunch Program. Under this set-up greater emphasis was placed on the complete meal, or so-called hot plate. At the same time the cafeteria continued to serve independently of the National School Lunch Program such tiems as soups, sandwiches, desserts and ice cream. It eliminated from its menu potato chips, "devil dogs" and items of this nature on which the margin of profit is relatively large.

The demand for the hot plate has been disappointingly small. The price has been kept at 20 cents, this low price being made possible by a federal subsidy of five cents per plate, plus some free foodstuffs such as potatoes, jams and powdered milk, which are termed surplus commodities. At the price for which the hot plate is served, it is a real bargain, and parents might well guide their sons and daughters toward greater use of it. At present less than a fifth of our nearly five hundred junior-senior high school pupils purchase the hot plate daily.

At the Eastondale School, through the efforts of the Easton Improvement Association, a lunch project to serve that school and the South Easton School was put into operation last February. Here the so-called type A lunch, with milk, is served for 20 cents. This project operates under the National School Lunch Program, and unlike the High School cafeteria serves only the hot plate or type A lunch. From February to June this project incurred a small deficit, which was paid by the Easton Improvement Association. This organization has also financed free lunches for a number of needy cases at these two schools.

The tendency of both lunch projects to incur deficits is being closely watched. The Eastondale project has during the present school year scarcely paid its way. The High School cafeteria lost money during September and October but showed a profit during November and December. Profits, other than to provide a safe working margin, are of course undesirable in these projects, as they are operated solely for the benefit of the pupils.

Under the National School Lunch Program, considerable new equipment has been obtained for both lunch projects at no expense to the town except transportation and installation costs. At the Eastondale School a nine cubic foot refrigerator and a large part of the dishes were secured in this way. At the High School, a dishwasher, a thirty cubic foot refrigerator, a ten-burner dual oven gas range, and metal tables for clean and soiled dishes have been secured, payment being made from National School Lunch Program funds. From a special grant from the Oakes Ames School fund an automatic gas hot water heater for the High School cafeteria has been purchased. This heater has a capacity of 125 gallons of water per hour at 180°, this capacity being necessary for the operation of the dish washer. About all that is now needed to complete the modernizing of the High School cafeteria kitchen is a new sink

Are Our School Buildings Adequate?

On October 1, our first grade enrollment numbered one hundred twenty pupils. The first grade on the corresponding date a year earlier had 104 pupils. The figure for October 1, 1945, was 80. If this rate of increase were to continue, we would soon be facing greatly over-crowded conditions in our elementary schools.

We now have one empty classroom at the Unionville School and two at the North Easton Grammar School. Some of the classrooms now in use are not filled to capacity. Hence we have considerable classroom space available for future use if necessary. The difficulty is that this extra space is not at the buildings where it is needed. Our school census and a preliminary canvas indicate that first grade enrollment next fall will be large but perhaps not quite as large as the present first grade. The number of births reported in the town does not indicate unusually large first grades thereafter. The unknown factor is the number of children who will come from the homes now being built. It is clear now that we will have a problem of overcrowding in the primary room at South Easton in September, 1948, and possibly a similar problem at Eastondale. Figures now available, if accurate, do not indicate a problem next fall at Furnace Village greater than the one encountered last September.

If these large entering groups are a temporary condition, as the record of births reported in town indicate that they may be, temporary solutions, such as sending grade six from Eastondale and South Easton to North Easton Grammar School, may be made to suffice. If construction of new homes in the south east part of the town continues for some time at the present rate, we should be thinking of the construction of new classrooms, presumably as an addition to the Eastondale School. About all that can be done at present is to watch the situation, with the intention of making definite recommendations later.

Boston University Tests

In February the Boston University Testing Service gave its battery of tests to those members of grades 11 and 12 who wished to take the tests and who were willing to pay the fee charged. A large number took the tests, but since only part of the students in each grade participated, it is impossible to give grade summaries of the test results.

On March 8 the Boston University battery for grade 8 was given to all members of our eight grade, the expense being met by the School Department. The battery of tests was administered, scored and summarized by the Testing Service of Boston University. The results, therefore, are free from any possible bias due to the work of local teachers, as might have been claimed by a prejudiced person upon seeing the high scores had the test been given and scored by members of our own staff. Mr. Moye, who administered and summarized the tests, stated that our grade 8 results were the best of any eight grade which he had ever tested. We are very proud of the scores obtained, of the pupils who made them, an of the teachers whose good work set the stage for them.

The scores on the various tests of the battery, along with grade standards for New England, are shown below:

Test	*New England Norm for Grade 8*	*Our Grade 8*	*Approximate Grade Level Reached, New England Norms*
I. Mental Maturity	98	105	Exceeded New England norm for Seniors (103)
II. Reading	37	42	Grade 10 norm, 43
III. English			
Grammar	33	34	Grade 10 norm, 35
Punctuation	33	36	Grade 10 norm, 35
Capitalization	18	20	Grade 10 norm, 19
Sentence Structure	8	9	Grade 10 norm, 9
Spelling	9	13	Grade 10 norm, 11
IV. Mathematics			
Addition	10	15	Grade 10 norm, 12
Subtraction	11	16	Grade 10 norm, 14
Multiplication	11	15	Grade 10 norm, 12
Division	11	15	Grade 10 norm, 12
Problem Solving	5.9	8.1	Grade 10 norm, 7.1

The results of such a test are valuable as a measuring stick of achievement, but are still more valuable in guidance work and in the study of the individual pupil.

Class of 1947

Diplomas awarded to graduates in 1947 totalled 83, including five military service diplomas. The class of 1947 was the largest graduating class in the history of Oliver Ames High School. This class was outstanding in a number of ways. It included many fine students, as indicated by the number of "High Honor" and "Honor" graduates shown on a following page. It furnished the school teams with some excellent athletes, resulting in an era of successful athletics.

Members of this class going on to colleges or other degree-granting institutions include Phyllis White, Jackson College (Tufts); Patricia McCann, University of Massachusetts; Charles Nystrom, University of Massachusetts; Paulina Robbins, University of Maine; Shirley Boudreau, Simmons College; Elizabeth Wade, Boston University; Joseph Dardano, Brown University; Robert Leonard, Northeastern University; Elizabeth Boessenkool, Swarthmore College; Herbert MacKinnon, Tufts

College; Albert Hughes, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Gerald Guild, Tufts College; James Barrett, Northeastern University; Walter Hay, Tufts College.

The Elementary Schools

Our grade schools continued to do excellent work during 1947. We were fortunate in the elementary schools, unlike the situation in the Junior-Senior High School, in having few changes in teachers during the year. The biggest handicap facing our grade schools in their efforts to achieve outstanding academic achievement is the relatively high proportion of our classrooms having more than one grade. This situation was made worse by the reopening this fall of the Poquanticut School. Large enrollments in three rooms having first and second grades in each room further complicate the problem. Our elementary teaching staff as at present constituted is capable of securing and anxious to obtain above-average results in their classrooms. Our schools are well housed and well equipped. But schools in our outlying districts having rooms with two or three grades make outstanding achievement in their schools difficult. In spite of such handicaps some of these teachers are able to obtain superior results.

All elementary teachers have been asked to stress thorough instruction in reading, spelling and arithmetic. They are working with the thought in mind that pupils weak in any of these fields have comapratively little chance to succeed in Junior-Senior High School.

Over the years rather elaborate plans have been worked out to achieve superior results in the teaching of reading. In addition to the use of a good basal reading series and abundant supplementary readers, along with some testing, our pupils make extensive use of Ames Free Library books in reading for pleasure. Honor certificates issued by the Library are given to pupils in grade 3 and above for reading and briefly reporting on twenty books from an approved list, five of which must be non-fiction. Of our pupils in grades 3, 4, 5 and 6, during the school year ending last June, 57.1% at the North Easton Grammar School, 47.9% at South Easton School, 34% at Eastondale School, 66.7% at Furnace Village School, and 60% at Unionville School, earned honor certificates. In addition, 61 pupils earned the Star Certificate, which is won by reading a second group of twenty books during the school year. We believe that this extensive library reading achieves three important objectives. First, it tends to make permanent the library habit in the individual. We have observed that unless this habit is well formed by the end of grade 6, with many pupils it is likely never to be formed, due to the pressure of other interests once the pupil reaches the secondary school. Second, the experiences thus gained are contributing to a richer background for the individual. Thirdly, the pupil becomes a better reader, a more skillful reader, through much practice in reading. On the Iowa Every-Pupil Tests of Basic Skills, given to all sixth grade pupils last spring, our combined sixth grades earned a median score of 7.4 (read fourth month of grade 7) against a national norm of 6.8. In other words they scored six school months above grade in reading. This excellent score and the superior score earned by our eighth graders last March on the Boston University tests, reported previously, support our belief that in general our pupils are obtaining a good foundation in the basic academic skill of reading.

To be sure, some individuals are still poor readers. Some would be under the most favorable circumstances. Others could be helped by more individual attention. Many school systems are now spending the funds formerly used as salary for a special class teacher to hire a remedial teacher who works with all pupils, regardless of ability, who are experiencing special difficulty in any given field of study. I hope that Easton may some day employ such a teacher.

Our teachers are striving for equally good results in arithmetic. Their arithmetic committee has worked out a series of arithmetic tests for each grade. These tests are dictated to pupils once or twice a week during the last half of each school year. The content of each test, which has eight examples, provides a cumulative review of all arithmetic work taken up to that time. When a pupil succeeds on three successive tests in obtaining at least two perfect test scores and not more than one error on the third he is awarded an arithmetic certificate by the Arithmetic Committee. Pupils work hard to enable them to win a certificate. Once in two months a system-wide test on arithmetic covered during the current school year is given. Pupils know that these tests are coming and work hard to insure good scores. These little "extras" over and above the routine teaching of the subject stimulate interest and effort. That the results are good is again shown (as it was on the Boston University tests for grade 8) by the fact that our sixth grades of the town ,as a group, in arithmetic scored four school months above the national norm on the Iowa Every-Pupil Tests of Basic Skills.

In spelling, system-wide tests on the current year's word list are given about every two months, under the same conditions as the arithmetic tests. Results on these tests are excellent. However, on the Iowa Every-Pupil Tests of Basic Skills our sixth grade last spring fell below the national norm, in marked contrast to the eighth grade spelling results on the Boston University tests previously reported. This may have been due to the particular sampling of words used in the test—a common difficulty in testing spelling. Extra effort in the teaching of spelling will be one of the "musts" during the winter and spring of 1948.

Our sixth grades last spring, taken as a group, earned median scores just equal to the national norms, on the Iowa Every-Pupil Tests of Basic Skills covering language skills and study skills. Our superior results in reading and arithmetic undoubtedly were the cumulative results of special emphasis in those fields.

Dental Clinic

Since 1933 the Easton Lions Club has sponsored a school dental clinic, located in the Health Room at the High School. Over the years this clinic has rendered fine service to the children of the town. The chief limitation has been the fact that the dentist has only a limited amount of time available for the work of the clinic.

Last year the writer, after discussing the matter with the School Committee, suggested to the Chairman of the Board of Health that they include in their budget funds for a dental hygienist to work in the schools. This was done and Mrs. Muriel Pratt was employed for this work. She does cleanings only, for which no charge is made. As she works, she discusses dental care with the child and plots on a dental chart the teeth defects found. A copy of this chart is given to the child to take home. In this way effective dental educational work is carried on.

The dental hygienist devotes about two forenoons weekly to this work during school terms. In the period of a school year she is able to do dental cleanings for all elementary and junior high school pupils whose parents request it.

The Lions Club has recently installed some four hundred dollars' worth of dental equipment in the Health Room, replacing old equipment which was bodly worn. The continued support of this project by the Lions Club is greatly appreciated by school officials.

Some Needs of the Schools

Most previous annual reports have listed some of the needs of the schools. Many of the items mentioned are ones which will not, we realize, be soon achieved. However, it is good to hold these things in public view, with the hope that most of them will eventually be realized, as they undoubtedly will. Listed below are some needs, not provided for in the 1948 Budget, which should be given thoughtful consideration with future action in mind. Most of them have been previously listed.

Replacement of Fixed Furniture. All but four of our elementary classrooms have desks and seats which are screwed to the floor. In many rooms the desk tops are too small. This type of furniture should gradually be replaced with movable desks and seats.

Fire Proof Record Storage. This is badly needed at the High School. The loss by fire of scholarship record cards, for example, would be an extremely serious matter for many individuals.

Sound-Proofing at the High School. A sound-proof ceiling over the woodworking shop is needed to prevent transmission of disturbing shop noises to classrooms above. Sound-absorbing ceilings and upper walls in the corridors of the newer part of the high school are needed.

Surfacing of Play Areas. Play areas at all of our elementary schools become very muddy during periods of freezing and thawing. Between five and six hundred pairs of small feet can track into the buildings a great deal of mud under such conditions. Portions of play areas, especially at the North Easton Grammar School, should be surfaced.

Assembly Hall Chairs.. Chairs for the assembly hall at North Easton Grammar School are needed, to eliminate the necessity of trucking chairs from the High School.

Commercial Department Equipment. The machine equipment for this department should be built up as rapidly as possible.

Lighting of Classrooms. Standards of school room lighting are gradually being raised. Light conditions considered satisfactory twenty years ago are felt to be inadequate today. We should be making plans to improve the artificial lighting equipment of our more poorly lighted classrooms.

Music Room at the High School. A room for the exclusive use of music groups is needed. It has been suggested that the north east corner room in the basement of the building could be prepared for use by these groups.

Better Audio-Visual Education Facilities. More equipment is needed. Better dark room facilities for picture projection are needed at all schools.

Conclusion

Many groups and individuals have contributed to the welfare of the schools during the past year. I have previously in this report referred to the help of the Easton Lions Club in improving the dental clinic facilities and to the interest of the Easton Improvement Association in establishing the hot lunch program at the South Easton and Eastondale Schools. The Christmas parties provided for the elementary school children each year by Mrs. Louis A. Frothingham were this year as usual most enjoyable. The establishment of a liberal scholarship for the High School by the Easton Huskies A. A. is acknowledged and appreciated. The continued interest of Miss Harriet Stone in the Mary A. Stone Library at the North Easton Grammar School is most helpful. The Ames Free Library staff has given the schools complete cooperation. The library reading program of the elementary schools has made a great deal of work for them. Other groups and individuals have contributed to the welfare of the schools during the year; some, such as the several women's clubs of the town, who donate scholarships, make annual contributions. These helps are much appreciated.

In closing I wish to record the faithful service of school employees during the year, and to express my appreciation to School Committee members for their help and guidance.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT C. MANN.

January 2, 1948.

SCHEDULE OF "NO SCHOOL"SIGNALS

The sirens of both the North Easton and the South Easton fire stations will be used to sound the signal. The "no school" signal on the North Easton station will be two blasts sounded three times in succession (2-2-2). The "no school" signal on the South Easton station will be one long blast sounded either at 7:15 or 7:30 A. M. Signals will have the following meanings:

7:15 A. M.—No school all day at the Junior-Senior High School.

7:30 A. M.—No school all day in the elementary schools.

12:35 P. M.—No school for the afternoon session at the North Easton Grammar School.

"No school" signals will be used only when weather conditions are unusually severe. The scattered population of the town and the extensive pupil transportation system make it necessary to sound the signal, if at all, a considerable time in advance of the opening hour of school sessions. It occasionally happens that weather conditions which appear promising at the hour the signals should be sounded become severe by the time many pupils start for school. Parents are requested to use their own judgment in such cases as to whether or not a child should attend a school session. Absences from school under these circumstances will be marked in the school registers with a distinctive mark and will not be counted against the child's perfect attendance record on the report cards.

When school sessions are to be called off because of weather conditions, announcement will be made over radio station WBET, Brockton. Parents should tune their radios to this station between 7:15 and 8:00 A. M. if in doubt as to whether or not schools are to be in session.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF OAKES AMES BEQUEST

For the year ending December 31, 1947

Balance on hand, January 1, 1947			$2,634.02	
Received from Trustees in 1947			4,490.26	
Total Income				$7,124.28
Expenditures:				
		Less Fed. Tax Withheld		
Gilbert C. Mann	$200.00	$36.00	$164.00	
Pauline E. Buck	100.00	18.00	82.00	
Anne Drury	150.00	27.00	123.00	
Doris W. Leach	1,299.90	90.72	1,209.18	
Charles E. MacLeod	1,272.00	198.80	1,073.20	
	$3,021.90	$370.52		
Collector of Internal Revenue—				
Federal taxes withheld from salaries			370.52	
Supplies Purchased	$428.10			
Less Supplies Sold	58.78			
			369.32	
Hot Water Heater for High School Cafeteria			475.00	
Total Expenditures				3,866.22
Balance on hand, December 31, 1947				$3,258.06

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
of the
OLIVER AMES HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT ACTIVITIES FUND

The funds of the various organizations, except the High School Cafeteria, of the Junior-Senior High School are kept in a single activities fund. Receipts and payments pass through the hands of the teacher designated to handle the fund, and all disbursements must be approved by the high school principal and the superintendent of schools.

Below is a statement showing the receipts and payments for the year ending December 31, 1947:

Funds	Balances Dec. 31, 1946	1947 Receipts	1947 Payments	Balances Dec. 31, 1947
Class of 1947	$649.24	$346.41	$859.82	$135.83
Class of 1948	161.31	1,431.99	1,094.44	498.86
Class of 1949	99.43	182.56	147.96	134.03
Class of 1950		93.92	35.99	57.93
Athletic Association	360.18	2,588.98	2,651.40	297.76
Eastoner	151.27	680.67	822.29	9.65
Easton Teachers' Club	143.52	244.10	248.30	139.32
General Fund	293.57	32.02	235.56	90.03
Student Council	457.87	82.99	57.45	483.41
Junior High	233.47	290.41	246.39	277.49
School Music	88.93	495.35	522.55	61.73
Accommodations	233.24	1,968.43	2,172.54	*29.13
Assembly	11.94		.84	11.10
H. S. Cafeteria		314.18	1,051.22	d737.04
Football Fund		564.75	564.75	
	$2,883.97	$9.316.76	$10,711.50	$1,489.23

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*Accommodations

Louis A. Frothingham Flower Fund	$17.68
Class of 1949 Ring Money	11.45
	$29.13

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Check Book Balance	$898.43
Savings Account	431.45
Junior High Savings Account	11.35
Junior High Bonds	148.00
	$1,489.23

FINANCIAL STATEMENT
of the
OLIVER AMES HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA
For the year ending December 31, 1947

Assets, January 1, 1947:			
Cash in Banks:			
First National Bank of Easton		$659.26	
North Easton Savings Bank		21.67	
U. S. War Savings Bonds		222.00	
Accounts Receivable		23.40	
Inventory, estimated		250.00	
Total Assets		$1,176.33	
Liabilities, January 1, 1947:			
Accounts Payable		562.24	
Net worth, January 1, 1947			$614.09
Assets, December 31, 1947:			
Cash on Hand	$364.31		
Reimbursement checks due	151.86		
Other bills receivable	17.07		
Inventory	296.29		
Total Assets		$829.53	
Liabilities, December 31, 1947:			
Loan from Student Activities Fund	737.04		
Unpaid bills for supplies	407.25		
Total Liabilities		1,144.29	
Net indebtedness, December 31, 1947			314.76
Net loss for year			$928.85

An audit of the Oliver Ames High School Student Activities Fund and of the funds of the Oliver Ames High School Cafeteria is being conducted by Myron F. Williams, the audit covering the transactions for 1947.

EXPENDITURES BY DIVISION

January 1, 1947 — December 31, 1947

Including Amounts Paid from Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds

	General	Senior High	Junior High	Elementary	Total
School Committee, Office, etc.	$241.24				$241.24
Superintendent's Travelling Expense	250.00				250.00
Supervisor of Attendance	100.00				100.00
Clerk	1,853.39				1,853.39
Salaries	4,473.36	$23,832.99	$25,508.73	$46,139.59	99,954.67
Textbook		509.34	673.01	644.84	1,827.19
Supplies for Instruction		1,431.33	1,131.23	1,132.53	3,695.09
Janitors' Wages		2,234.80	1,991.04	6,637.32	10,863.16
Fuel		1,319.28	1,319.28	3,177.08	5,815.64
Janitors' Supplies		343.95	343.21	700.49	1,387.65
Water		53.38	53.38	88.73	195.49
Electricity		411.55	411.55	621.62	1,444.72
Miscellaneous School Plant		40.96	40.95	253.51	335.42
Repairs and Furnishings		3,172.82	2,151.46	3,350.39	8,674.67
Outlay		266.02	376.09	1,522.40	2,164.51
Library		85.85	87.14		172.99
Health		736.78	725.39	2,147.85	3,610.02
Transportation		3,497.45	3,782.94	4,053.22	11,333.61
Tuition		446.96			446.96
Sundries		69.16	60.10	161.25	290.51
Graduation		147.34			147.34
Insurance		598.67	598.67	1,841.18	3,038.52
Total	$6,917.99	$39,198.63	$39,254.17	$72,472.00	$157,842.79
Average Membership	1,019.00	222.00	246.00	551.00	1,019.00
Cost per pupil in average membership not including capital outlay and tuition	$6.79	$173.36	$158.04	$128.77	
Average in State, year ending June 30, 1947	6.29	202.35	174.33	134.12	

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS—SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES X TO XII

January 1, 1947 — December 31, 1947

Including Amounts Paid from Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds

	General	Commercial	English	Social Studies	Household Arts	Latin	Mathematics	Modern Language	Practical Arts	Science	Physical Education	Art	Music	Total
Salaries	$1,800.00	$5,335.12	$3,835.86	$2,444.10	$473.08	$636.95	$2,543.76	$1,157.33	$1,040.14	$2,707.90	$1,384.30	$219.67	$254.78	$23,832.99
Textbooks	127.62	32.16	101.59	183.71			6.72	22.34		12.84			22.36	509.34
Supplies	432.77	366.42		81.33	20.91				297.69	128.25	92.25	11.71		1,431.33
Janitor's Wages	2,234.80													2,234.80
Fuel	1,319.28													1,319.28
Janitors' Supplies	343.95													343.95
Water	53.38													53.38
Electricity	411.55													411.55
Misc. School Plant	40.96													40.96
Repairs & Furnishing	2,109.57	993.23			11.08					48.00	10.94			3,172.82
Outlay	266.02													266.02
Library	85.85													85.85
Health	736.78													736.78
Transportation	3,497.45													3,497.45
Tuition	446.96													446.96
Sundries	69.16													69.16
Graduation	147.34													147.34
Insurance	598.67													598.67
Total	$14,722.11	$6,726.93	$3,937.45	$2,709.14	$505.07	$636.95	$2,550.48	$1,179.67	$1,337.83	$2,896.99	$1,487.49	$231.38	$277.14	$39,198.63

Average Membership	222.00
Cost per pupil in average membership, not including outlay aand tuition, year ending December 31, 1947	$173.36
Average in State, not including outlay and trade school tuition, year ending June 30, 1947	202.35

EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS—JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, GRADES VII TO IX

January 1, 1947 — December 31, 1947

Including Amounts Paid from Oakes Ames and Oliver Ames Funds

	General	English	Latin	Social Studies	Mathematics	Household Arts	Science	Art	Music	Physical Education	Practical Arts	Guidance	Total
Salaries	$2,564.93	$4,311.35	$385.82	$3,826.29	$4,435.45	$1,721.28	$2,349.96	$ 887.74	$1,073.28	$1,314.31	$1,633.22	$1,005.10	$25,508.73
Textbooks	120.86	166.07	9.20	96.88	67.00		15.47		23.33			174.20	673.01
Supplies	521.06			115.94	1.75	42.18		40.69		25.11	363.57	20.93	1,131.23
Janitors' Wages	1,991.04												1,991.04
Fuel	1,319.28												1,319.28
Janitors' Supplies	343.21												343.21
Water	53.38												53.38
Electricity	411.55												411.55
Misc. School Plant	40.95												40.95
Repairs & Furnishings	2,101.23					33.20			7.69	9.34			2,151.46
Outlay	376.09												376.09
Library	87.14												87.14
Health	725.39												725.39
Transportation	3,782.94												3,782.94
Sundries	60.10												60.10
Insurance	598.67												598.67
Total	$15,097.82	$4,477.42	$395.02	$4,039.11	$4.504.20	$1,796.66	$2,365.43	$928.43	$1,104.30	$1,348.76	$1,996.79	$1,200.23	$39,254.17
Average Membership													246.00
Cost per pupil in average membership, not including outlay, year ending December 31, 1947													$158.04
Average in State, not including outlay, June 30, 1947													174.33

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES—OCTOBER 1, 1947

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	P. G.	Sp. Cl.	To-tal
Junior-Senior High School								94	93	80	70	82	56			475
North Easton Grammar School	59	46	41	39	36	50	37									308
South Easton School		25	10	10	10	10	12									77
Eastondale School		18	16	8	17	10	13									82
Furnace Village School		14	16	11	8	9	9									67
Unionville School		9	3	3	8											23
Poquanticut School		9	9	6												24
TOTAL	59	121	95	77	79	79	71	94	93	80	70	82	56			1056

CENSUS REPORT

The annual census of children in town between the ages of 5 and 16 was taken as of October 1, 1947, as required by law.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Under 5 years attending school	15	7	22
Between the ages of 5 and 7	87	70	157
Between the ages of 7 and 16	401	337	738
	503	414	917

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION
JUNE 19, 1947

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1. March—Festival March — Mendelssohn
   Orchestra
2. Invocation
   Reverend George A. Mark
3. Address of Welcome by Class President
   Robert Joseph Wooster
4. Trees — Rasback
   Will You Remember — Romberg
   Glee Club
   Accompanist—Shirley Anne Boudreau
5. Overture — Taylor
   Orchestra
6. Pageant—Peace Within Our Time
   Narrator—Elizabeth Mary Slavin

   Tom Smith—Frank Peabody Boynton
   John Brown—Gerald Allen Guild
   Judge—Joseph Pasquale Dardano
   Brown's Lawyer—Robert Tolman Leonard
   Smith's Lawyer—Edward Belcher Hayward
   Announcer—Robert Joseph Wooster
   Delegate A—Herbert Clifford MacKinnon
   Delegate B—Robert Francis Howard
   Delegate C—James Barrett
   Delegate D—Louis Francis Freitas
   First Woman—Shirley Anne Boudreau
   Second Woman—Mary Jane Hayward
   Third Woman—Audrey Vivian Baker
   Pestilence—Charles Wilbur Nystrom
   War—Wilfred Joseph Roberge
   Famine—Robert Donald Farrar
   Death—Malcolm Bailey Jennings
7. Selections—Shepherd's Dance — Schubert
   Blue Danube Waltz — Strauss
   Orchestra

8. Award of

Catherine Hobart Ames Scholarship—Patricia Kathryn McCann

Young Scholarship—Phyllis Elizabeth White

The Outlook Club Award—Priscilla Ann Heath

Browning Clover Club Scholarship—Elizabeth Mary Slavin

Laurel Club Award—Jean Ann Southworth

J. Francis O'Neil Athletic Scholarship—Charles Wilbur Nystrom

Easton Huskies A. A. Scholarship—Robert Joseph Wooster

J. Francis O'Neil Athletic Trophy—Donald Lawrence Johnson

Washington and Franklin History Certificate—Ann Kinsman, '48

D.A.R. Good Citizenship Certificate and Medal—Elizabeth Mary Slavin

Diplomas

Mr. Arthur F. Anderson

9. Class Song

Words: Jean Sargent

Music: Gerald Allen Guild and Donald Lawrence Johnson

10. Benediction

Reverend Harry S. Lowd

11. Recessional—On Parade Woodrow

LIST OF HONORS

GENERAL HONORS

Graduated with High Honors

Shirley Anne Boudreau
Robert Donald Farrar
Mary Jane Hayward
Albert Edward Hughes
Malcolm Bailey Jennings
Robert Tolman Leonard
Patricia Kathryn McCann
Elizabeth Mary Slavin
Phyllis Elizabeth White

Graduated with Honors

Elisabeth Boessenkool
Joseph Pasquale Dardano
Gerald Allen Guild
Walter Cameron Hay, Jr.
Alton Hildreth
Herbert Clifford MacKinnon
Irene Elizabeth Nolan
Charles Wilbur Nystrom
Marie Hazel Philbrick
Paulina Spear Robbins
Jean Sargent
Jean Ann Southworth
Elizabeth Ann Wade

SPECIAL HONORS

High Honors

Shirley Anne Boudreau	French
Robert Donald Farrar	English, History, French
Mary Jane Hayward	English, Bookkeeping, Typewriting
Robert Tolman Leonard	History
Patricia Kathryn McCann	English, History, Mathematics, French
Marie Hazel Philbrick	Bookkeeping
Elizabeth Mary Slavin	English, Typewriting, Stenography, Bookkeeping
Phyllis Elizabeth White	History, French

Honors

Shirley Anne Boudreau	English, History
Robert Donald Farrar	Science
Mary Jane Hayward	Stenography
Albert Edward Hughes	History
Malcolm Bailey Jennings	History
Robert Tolman Leonard	Mathematics, Science
Phyllis Elizabeth White	English, Mathematics

High honors are given pupils whose yearly marks in particular subjects are all "A's"; honors are given those who have received but one "B", all other yearly marks being "A." Honors will not be given in subjects requiring less than two years in curriculum nor to any pupil pursuing a subject less than the maximum number of years.

CLASS OF 1947

Mary Martha Abreau
Lorraine Alice Anderson
Richard Hammond Arey
Audrey Vivian Baker
James Barrett
Charles W. Beale
Elisabeth Boessenkool
Shirley Anne Boudreau
Frank Peabody Boynton
Grace Lillian Chillingworth
Verona Lois Chisholm
Charles Malcolm Christensen
Mary Theresa Curry
Joseph Pasquale Dardano
John Alfred DeCoste
Theresa Marie Donaghue
Patricia Anne Doyle
Robert Donald Farrar
Betty-Lou Fortune
Jean LaVerne Frasier
Celeste Isabelle Freitas
Joseph Paul Freitas
Louis Francis Freitas
Merle William Gardner
*Anthony Joseph Giordano
Alfred Francis Gomes
Louis Joseph Gomes
Gerald Allen Guild
*Bertil Frederick Gustafson
Walter Cameron Hay, Jr.
Edward Belcher Hayward
Mary Jane Hayward
Priscilla Ann Heath
Mary Elizabeth Henriques
Alton Hildreth
Mark Fredrick Holland
Robert Francis Howard
Albert Edward Hughes
Kenneth Francis Hurley
Malcolm Bailey Jennings
Donald Lawrence Johnson
Dorothy Louise Johnson
Edward Louis LaBroad
Barbara Louise Larsen
†Joseph Timothy Leary
Robert Tolman Leonard
Helen Beatrice Lundin
Patricia Margelia Lunn
Avis Flora MacDonald
Herbert Clifford MacKinnon
Phyllis Beatrice MacLeod
Thelma Lois MacLeod
Gertrude Evelyn MacNeill
Estelle Jeannette MaDan
Barbara Mason
Patricia Kathryn McCann
Joan Louise McNamara
Robert Stanley Melin
Merle Lindsey Monroe, Jr.
Russell Moore
Irene Elizabeth Nolan
Shirley Virginia Nye
Charles Wilbur Nystrom
Evelyn Ruth Olson
Martha Cecelia Otterson
Marie Hazel Philbrick
Elizabeth Rosetta Reed
Dorothy Janet Rego
Paulina Spear Robbins
Wilfred Joseph Roberge
Jeanene Louise Robinson
Joyce Elaine Robinson
Jean Sargent
Elizabeth Mary Slavin
Philip Lawrence Soule
Jean Ann Southworth
Priscilla Marie Straight
Nancy-Ellis Sullivan
George Francis Tracy
Elizabeth Ann Wade
David Watts
Phyllis Elizabeth White
Robert Joseph Wooster

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*As of Class of 1944
†As of Class of 1945

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur F. Anderson, Chairman
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Clerk

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School Physician

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Supervisor of Attendance

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School Calendar

Winter Term	January 5, 1948, to February 20, 1948, inclusive
Spring Term	March 1, 1948, to April 16, 1948, inclusive
Summer Term	April 26, 1948 to June 24, 1948, inclusive
Fall Term	Opens September 8, 1948

School Committee Meetings

High School Building, first Monday evening of each month at 7:30 o'clock, or the following Monday if the first Monday is a holiday, except in March and April. March meeting, third Monday; April meeting, second Monday.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

OLIVER AMES JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Gilman H. Campbell	Principal Geometry	Bowdoin College, A.B. Harvard University, M.Ed.	1927-9	43
Leon A. Regan	Assistant Principal Mathematics Guidance Coordinator	Mass. Agricultural College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1927-9	18
Pauline E. Buck	Household Arts	Framingham State Teachers College, B.S.	1947-9	0
Marietta Canan	Music Music Supervisor in Grades	Boston University, Mus.B.	1937-9	10
Veronica E. Carter	Commercial	Salem Normal, B.S. *Boston University	1945-9	16
Margaret G. Connolly	Commercial	Bay Path Institute Boston University (Summer)	1947-9	22
Margaret E. Dinneen	Commercial	Salem Normal School *Boston University	1943-9	21
E. Elizabeth Donohue	Mathematics Physical Education	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. Sargent College (Summer)	1947-9	2
Evelyn Foster	English	Colby College, A.B. Columbia University, A.M.	1943-4	19
Warren F. Goodie	Science Physical Education	Boston University, B.S.	1947-4	1
Viola D. Harris	Art Art Supervisor in Grades	Lowell State Teachers College *Massachusetts Shool of Art	1947-9	6

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Kathryn E. Healey	Mathematics	Boston University, B.S. Harvard University (Summer) Hyannis State Teachers College (Summer)	1936-9	11
Adelaide W. Johnson	English	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1936-9	11
Pauline R. Lyons	Latin French English	New Rochelle College, A.B.	1943-3	13
Charles E. MacLeod	Practical Arts	Boston City Training Course for Teachers of Mechanic Arts *Boston University Fitchburg State Teachers College (Summer) Mass. Institute of Technology (Summer)	1931-9	16
Lucille L. Marvill	English Social Studies	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. University of Vermont (Summer)	1941-9	6
John C. Mason	Social Studies	*University of Maine Boston University, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1935-10	21
Barbara Nickerson	English	Univ. of New Brunswick, A.B. *University of London (England) Columbia University (Summer)	1928-9	25
Edward C. Swenson	Science	Boston College, B.S. Boston University, M.Ed.	1947-9	2
Gladys T. Thomas	Social Studies	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1939-10	9
Thomas A. White	Science	Boston College, A.B. Boston University, A.M.	1947-9	3½

NORTH EASTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Johanna G. McFadden	Principal Five and Six, P.M.	Bridgewater Normal School *Boston University	1922-9	25
Olive H. Gurney	Five and Six, A.M.	Bridgewater Normal School	1946-9	17
Mary V. Harvey	Six	Bridgewater Normal School *Boston University	1922-9	26
Raylene B. Carlson	Five	Boston University, B.S. Hyannis State Teachers College (Summer) Columbia University (Summer) University of Vermont (Summer)	1945-9	13
Grace P. Mills	Four	Oneonta Normal (N.Y.)	1943-1	18
June N. Harvey	Three	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-9	4
Jeanette P. Smith	Two and Three	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S. University of Vermont (Summer)	1947-9	11
Mary M. Buckley	Two	Bridgewater Normal School	1945-9	18½
Viola M. Geddes	One	Castine Normal School (Maine)	1936-9	14
Louise E. Canegaly	One	Easton Training Hyannis Normal (Summer)	1904-9	43
Doris W. Leach	Kindergarten	*Emerson College Perry Kindergarten Normal Boston University (Summer)	1926-9	21

SOUTH EASTON SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Anna G. Sullivan	Principal One and Two	Bridgewater Normal School	1947-9	15
Eleanor M. Biechele	Three and Four	Wheelock School	1946-2	7
Francis L. Thompson	Five and Six	Gorham, Me., State Normal School Boston University, B.S. *Portland Junior College	1946-2	5
		EASTONDALE SCHOOL		
Clarence O. Richardson	Principal Five and Six	Keene Teachers College, B.Ed. Boston University (Summer)	1946-1	5
Priscilla H. Leighton	Three and Four	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-9	4
Esther A. DeAvellar	One and Two	Bridgewater State Teachers College, B.S.	1944-9	4
		FURNACE VILLAGE SCHOOL		
Esther J. Heath	Principal Four, Five and Six	Bridgewater Normal School *Columbia University *Montclair Teachers College (N.J.)	1944-1	23½
Anna A. Gilmore	One, Two and Three	Bridgewater Normal School	1945-9	10

UNIONVILLE SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Edith V. Goff	One to Four	Taunton High School Hyannis Normal (Summer)	1922-9	29

POQUANTICUT SCHOOL

Name	Subject or Grade	Where Educated	Date of App'ntm't	Years of Teaching
Helen Koroskys	One, Two and Three	*Marywood College *Notre Dame College Boston University (Summer)	1947-9	1½

*Attended without graduating.

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS

Alfred H. Dahlborg	Junior-Senior High School	1924-11
Charles A. Malloy	Junior-Senior High School	1942-11
Hjalmar E. Johnson	North Easton Grammar School	1933-8
Edward M. Williams	South Easton School	1946-11
Clifton C. Ripley	Eastondale School	1941-5
Everett A. Dunn	Furnace Village School	1928-8
Carrie M. Smith	Unionville School	1939-9
Willis G. Buck	Poquanticut School	1947-8

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